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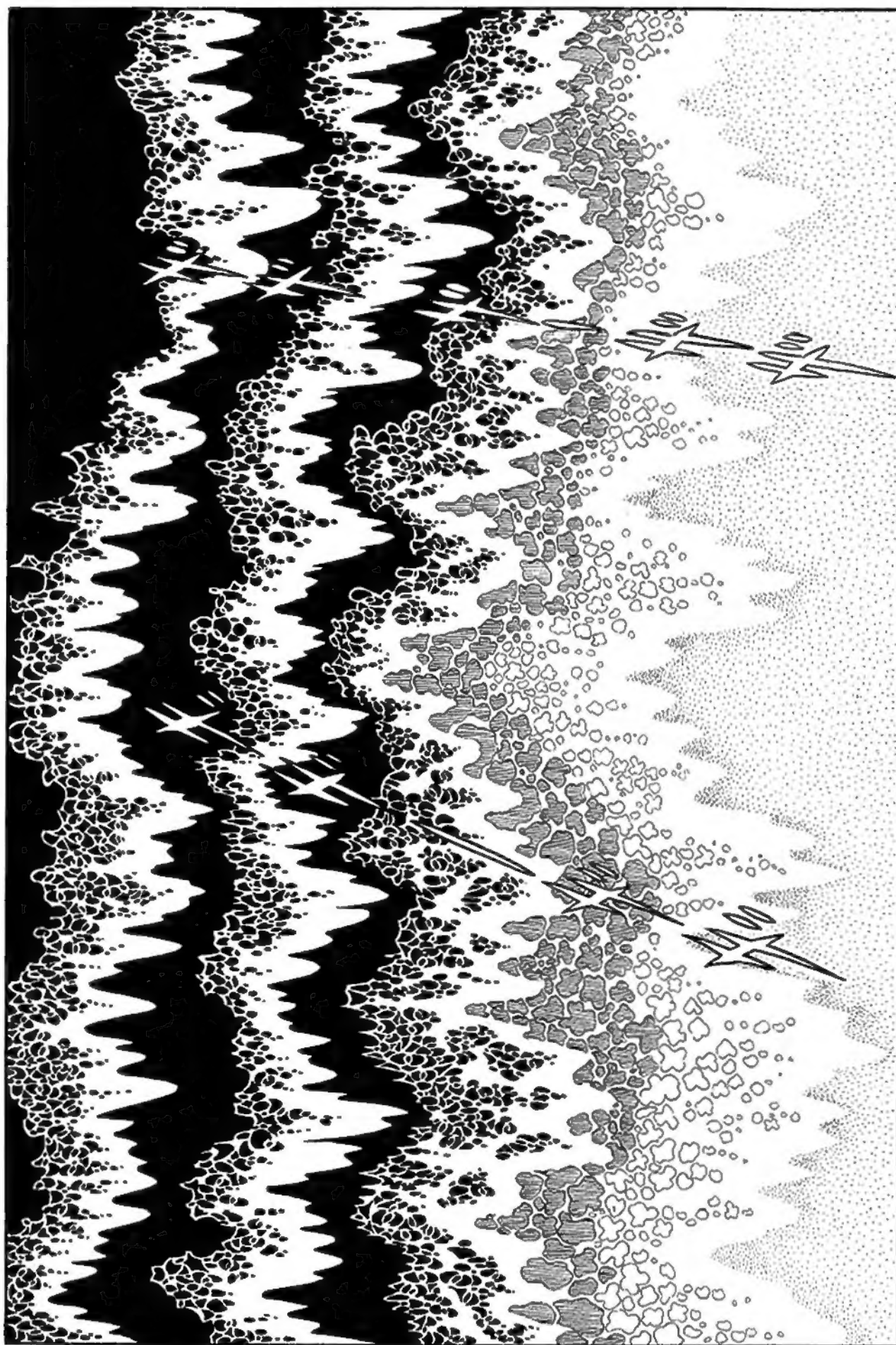
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# Chapter 1

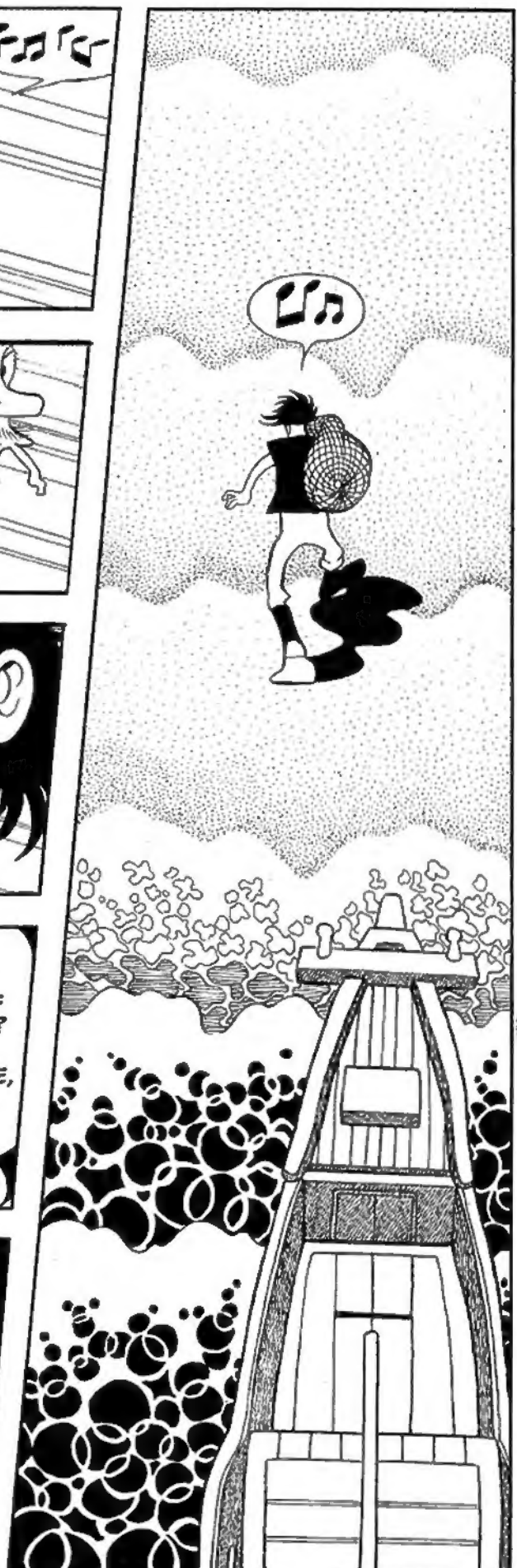
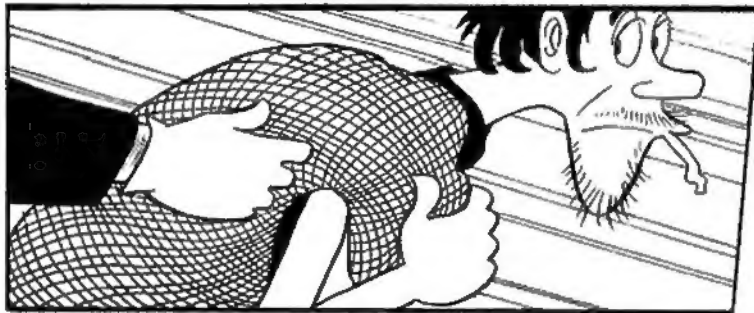
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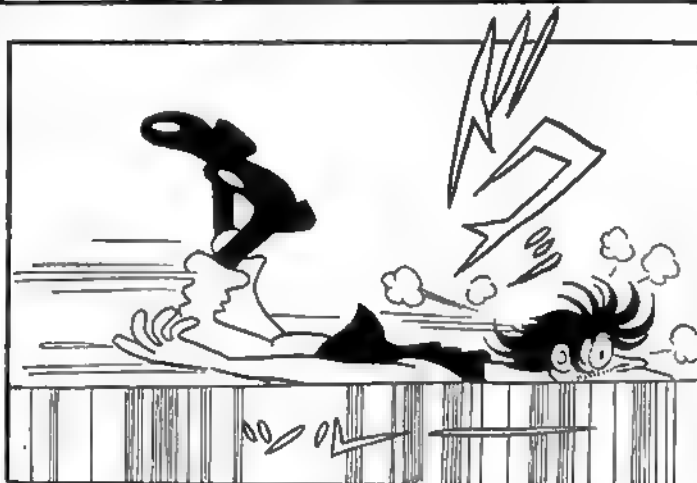




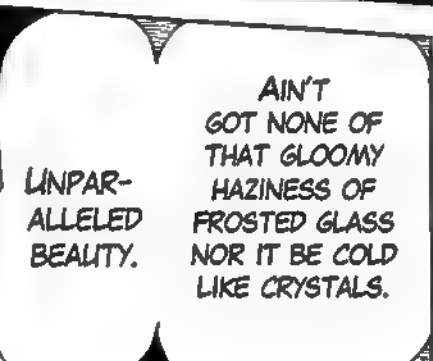
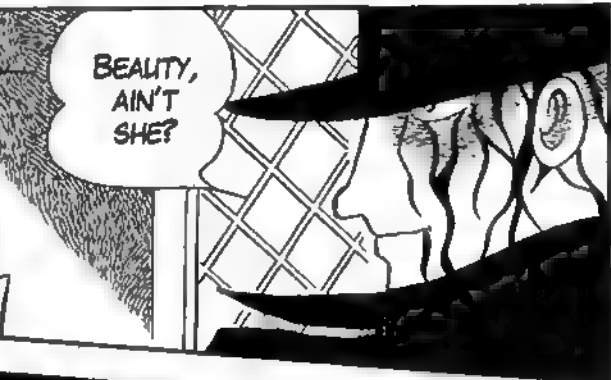
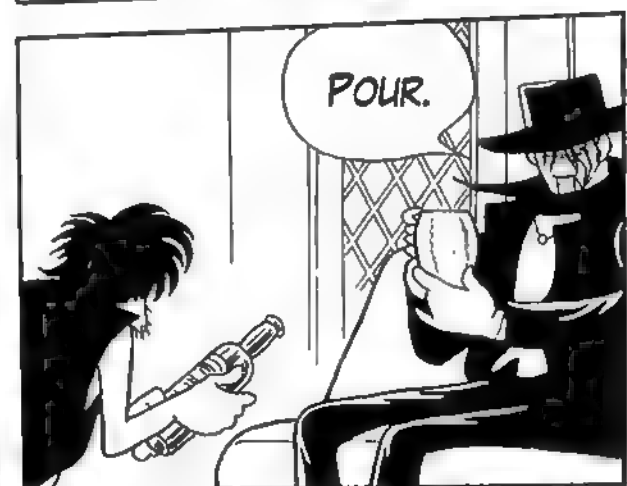


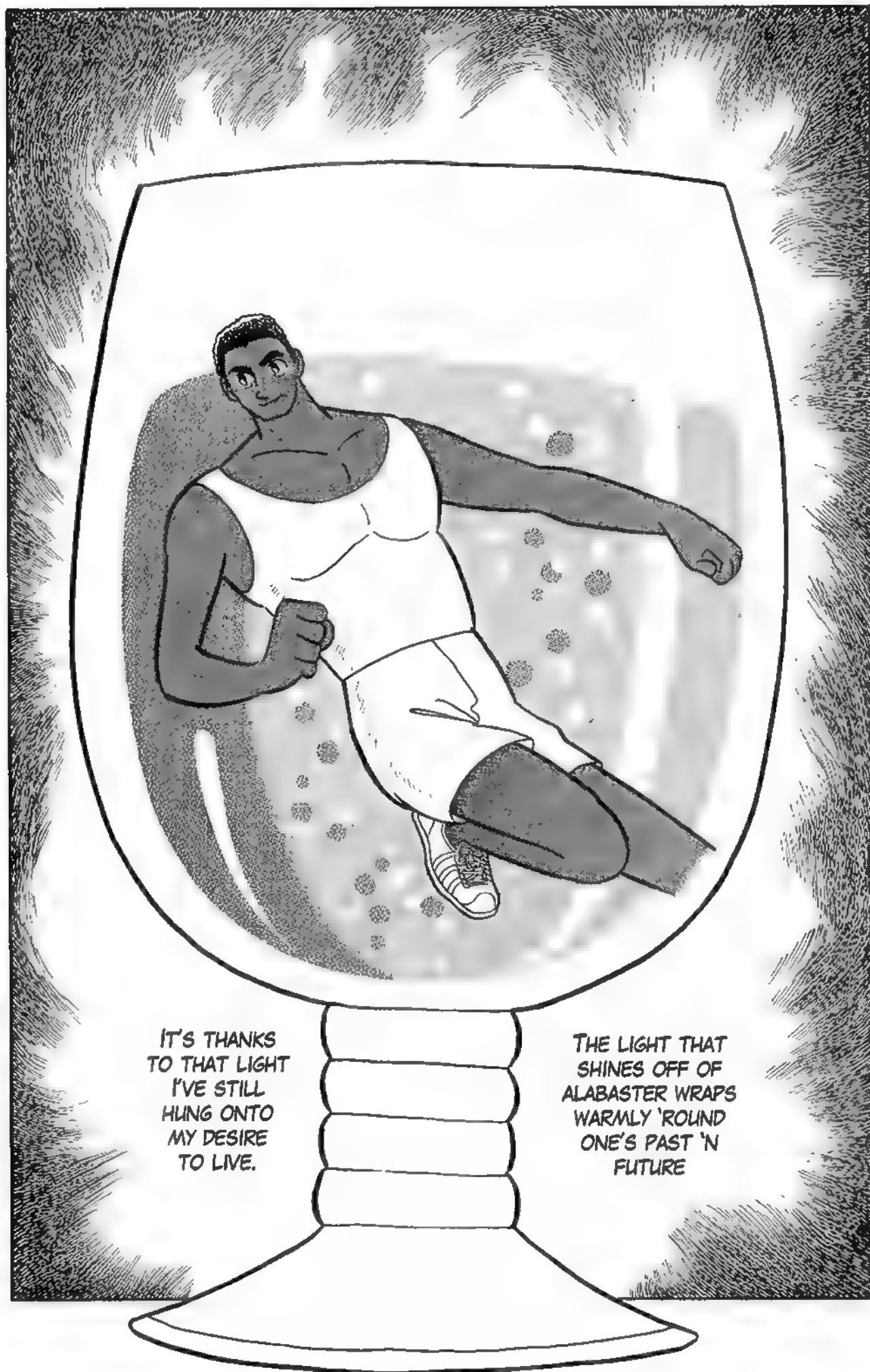




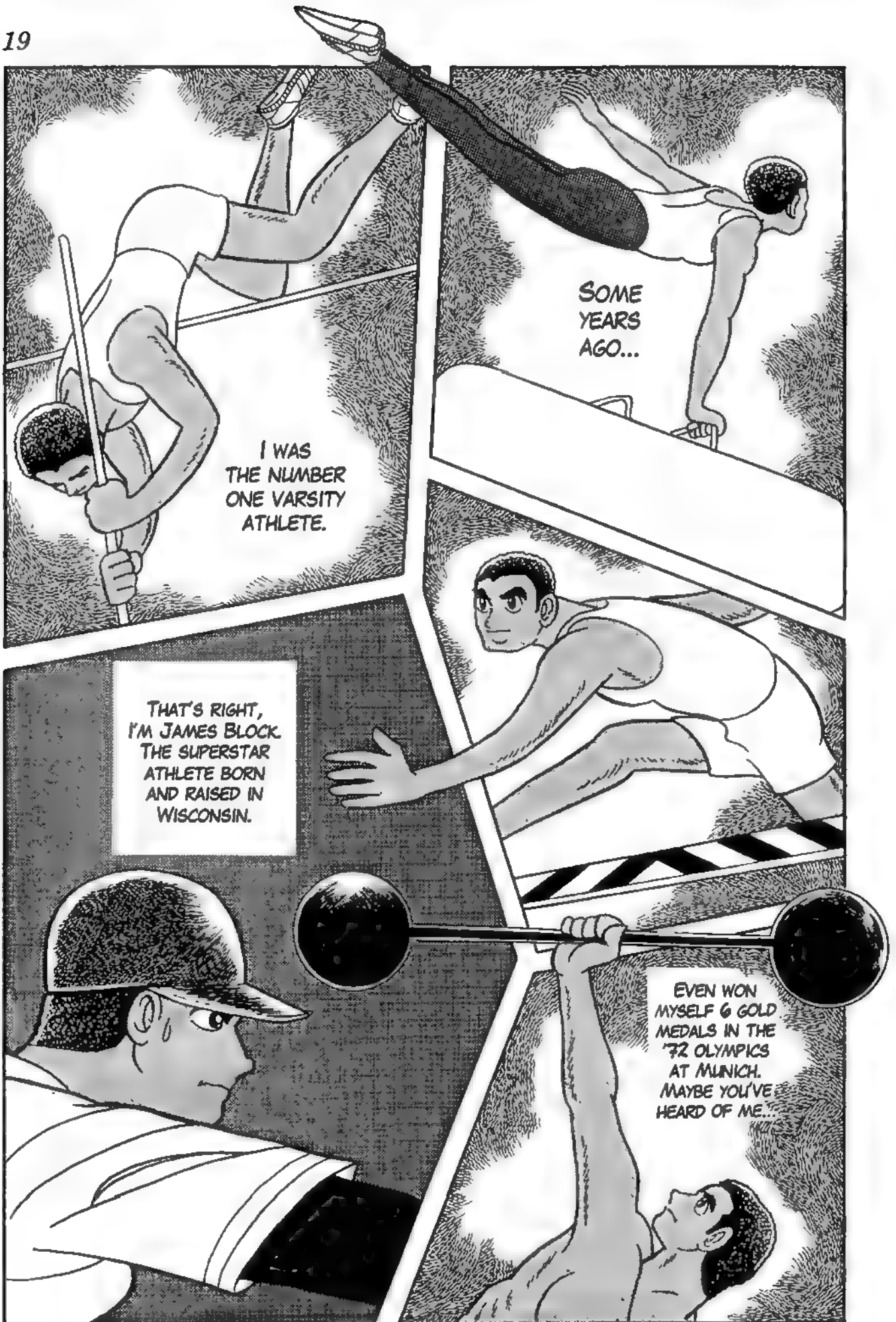


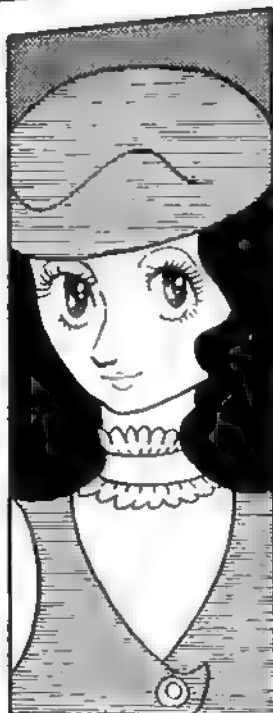
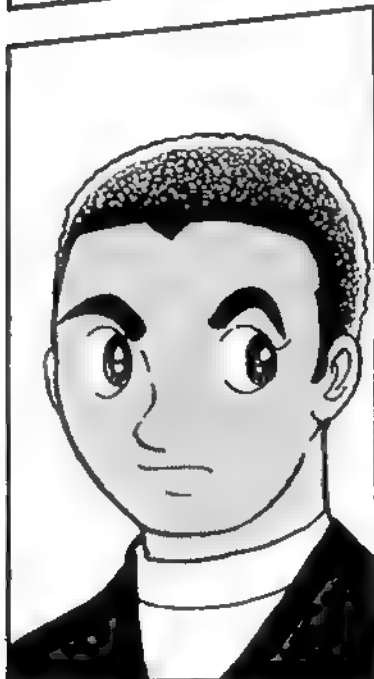
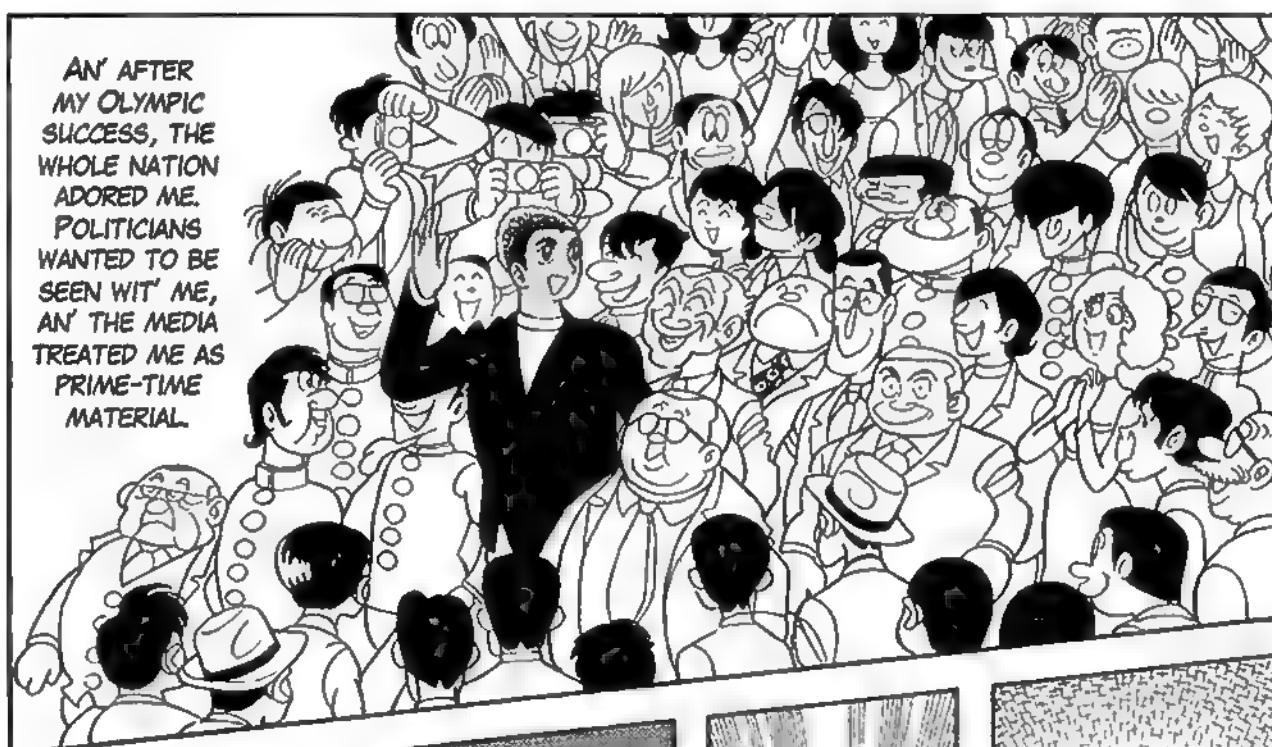


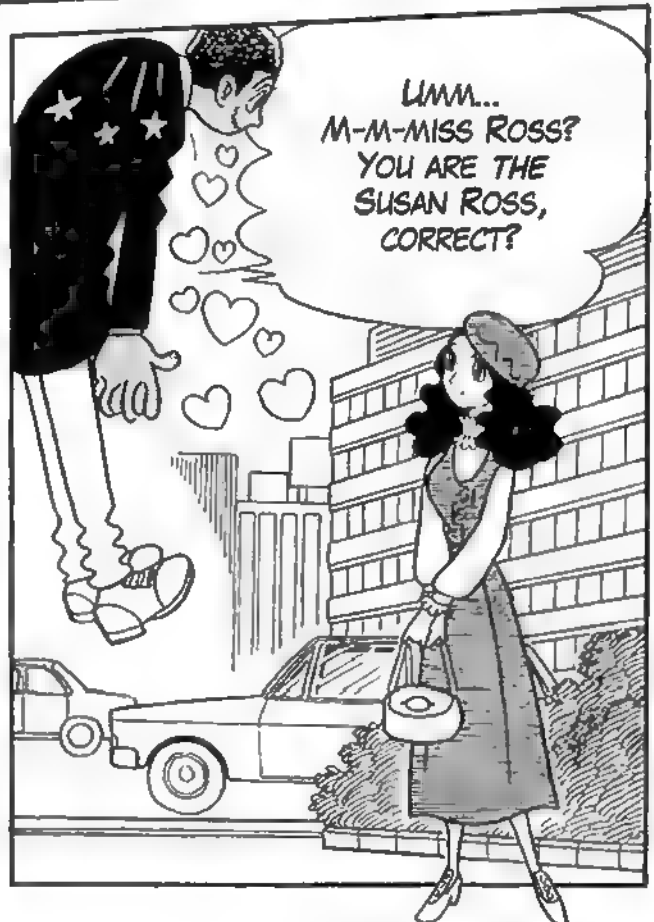
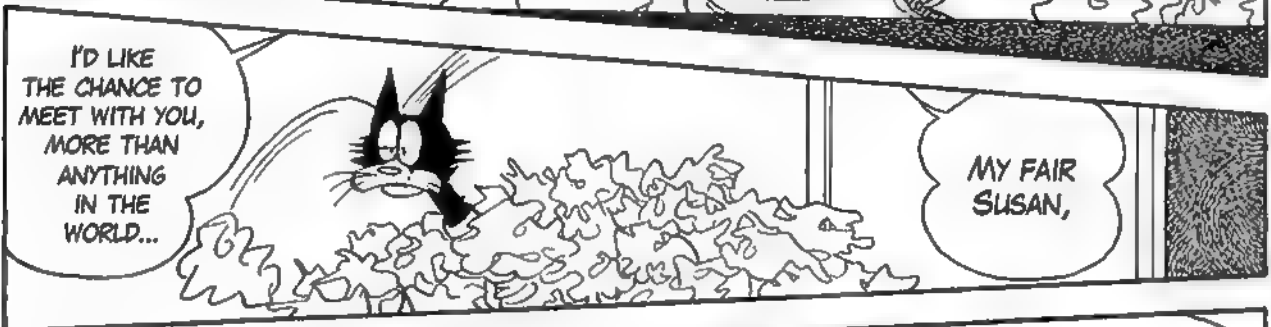
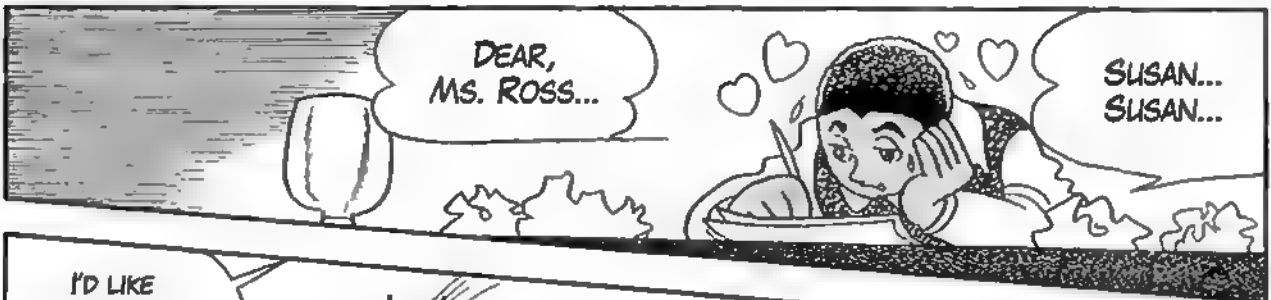












AFTER A YEAR  
OF DATING,  
I GATHERED UP  
THE COURAGE  
TO POP THE  
QUESTION.

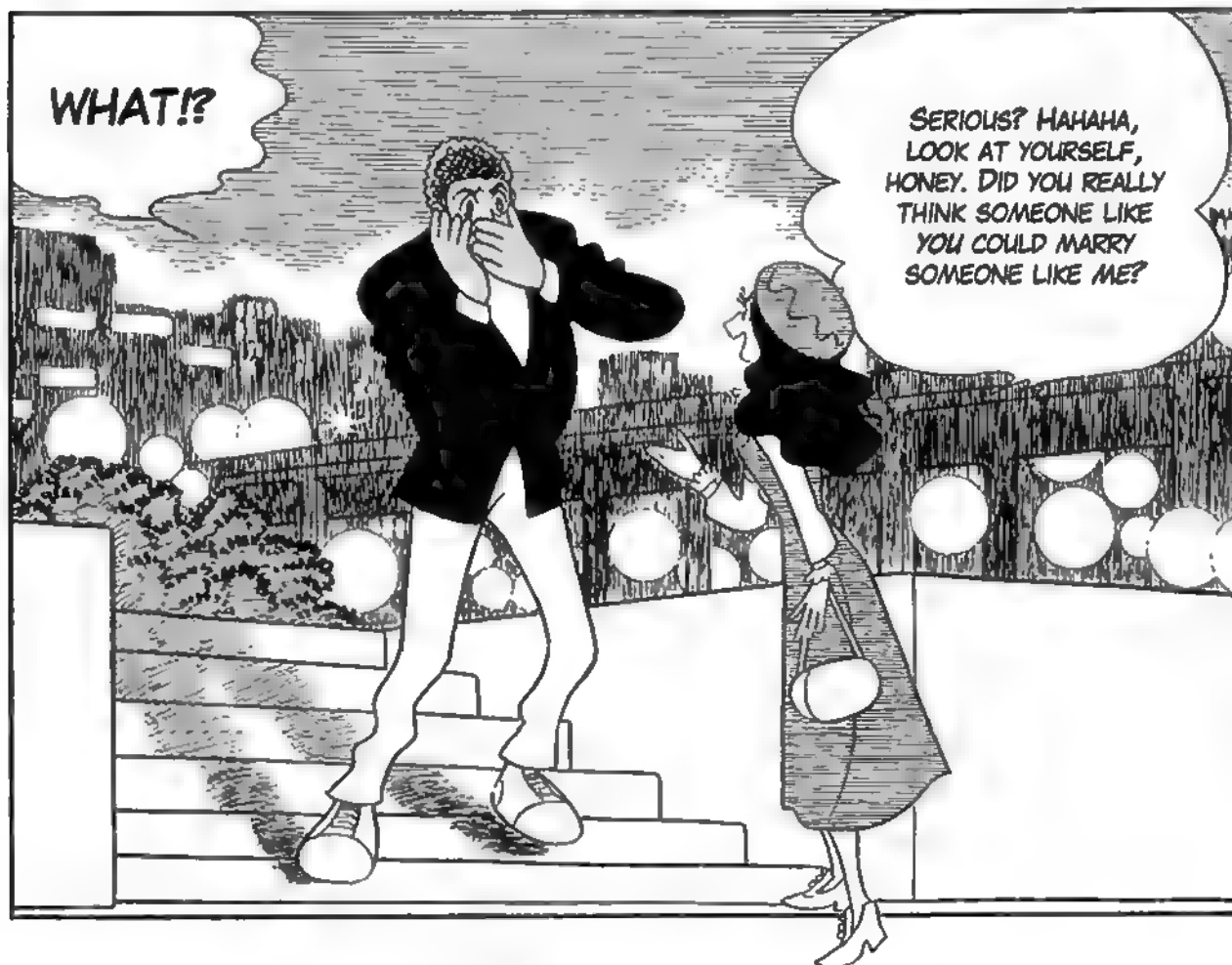


WE WENT OUT  
ALMOST EVERYDAY  
AND SHE WAS  
ALWAYS PINING FOR  
MY AFFECTION.  
I REALLY THOUGHT  
I WAS IN HEAVEN  
BACK THEN.

AND THAT'S HOW  
A COUNTRY BOY  
LIKE ME GOT  
ROMANTICALLY  
INVOLVED WITH A  
COSMOPOLITAN  
STAR LIKE  
SUSAN ROSS.









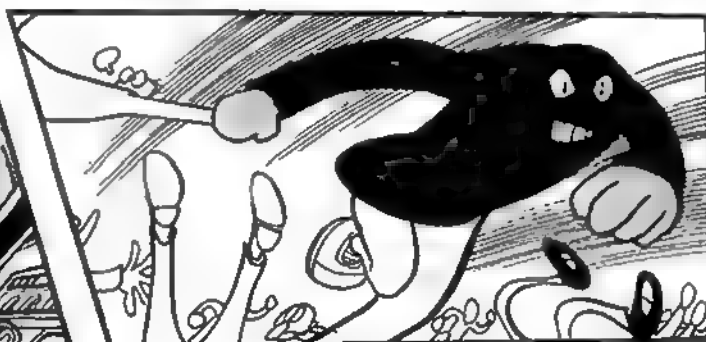
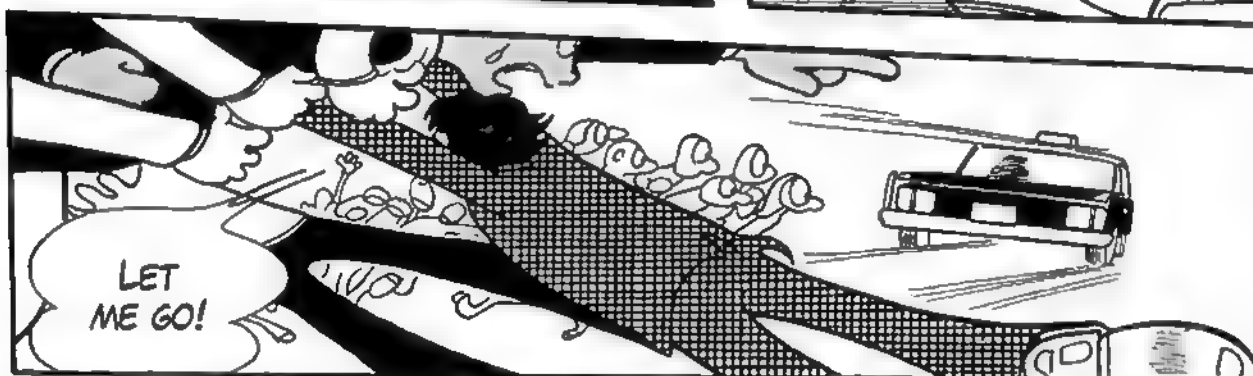
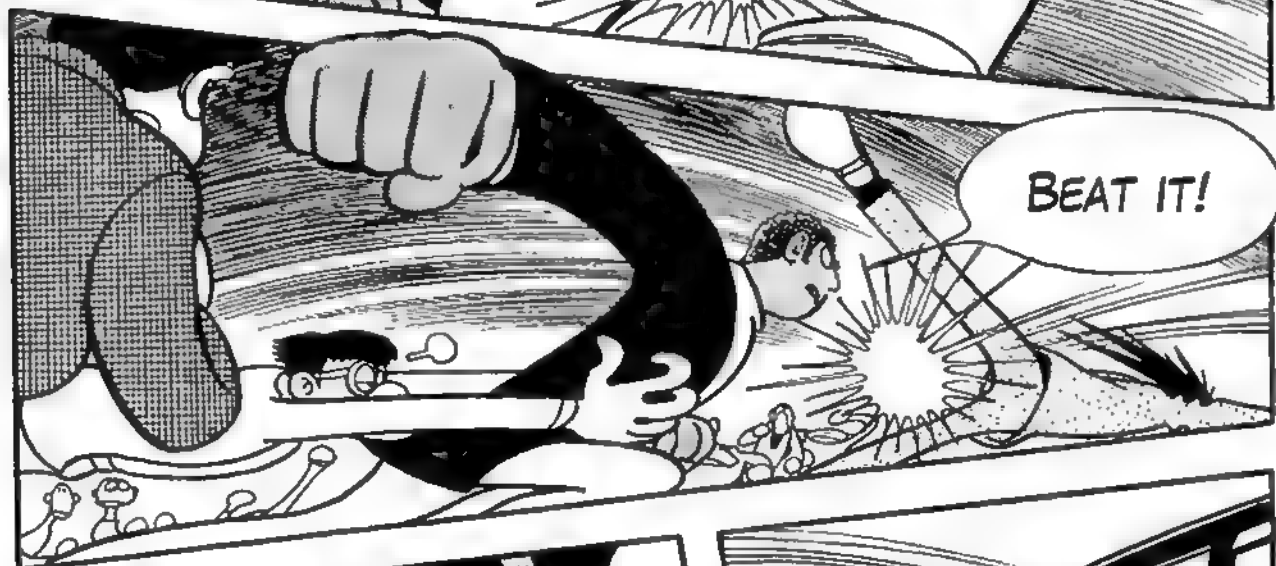
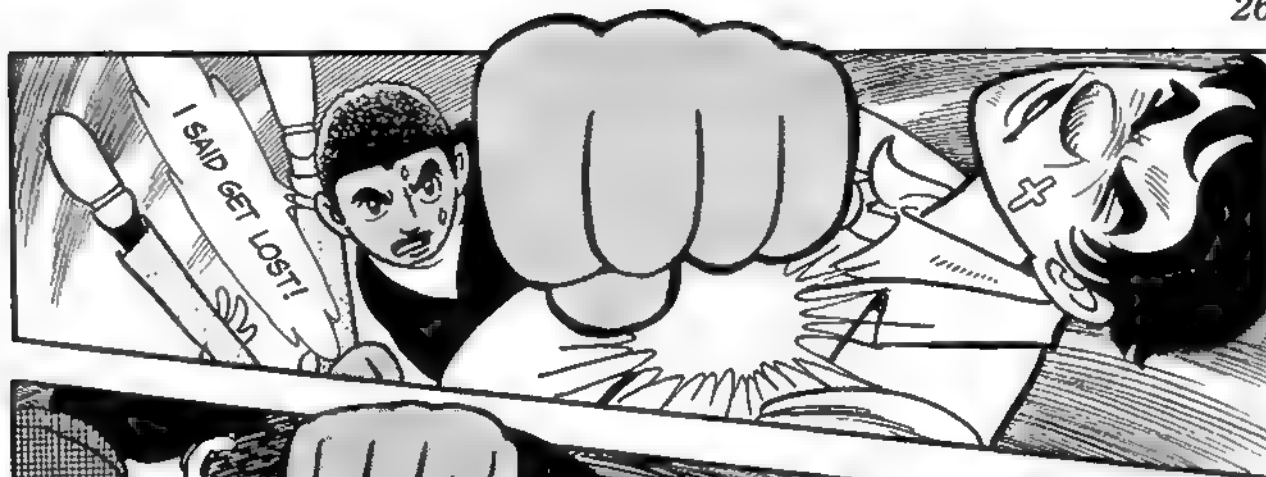
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POSE THIS IS  
IT FOR US...  
FAREWELL...

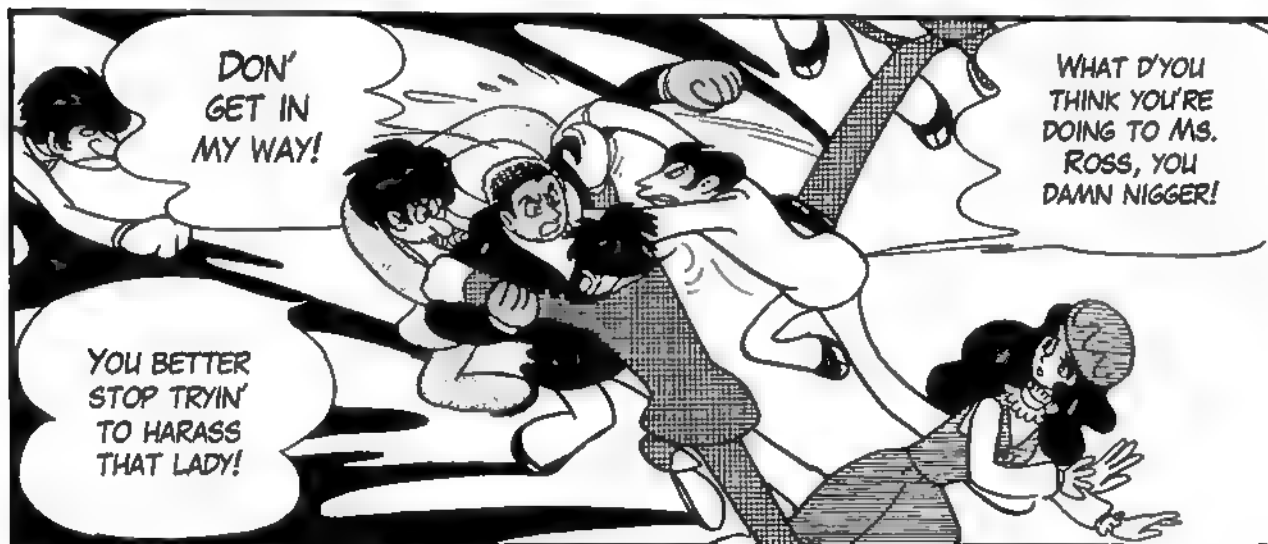
YOU  
THINK TOO  
HIGHLY OF  
YOURSELF.

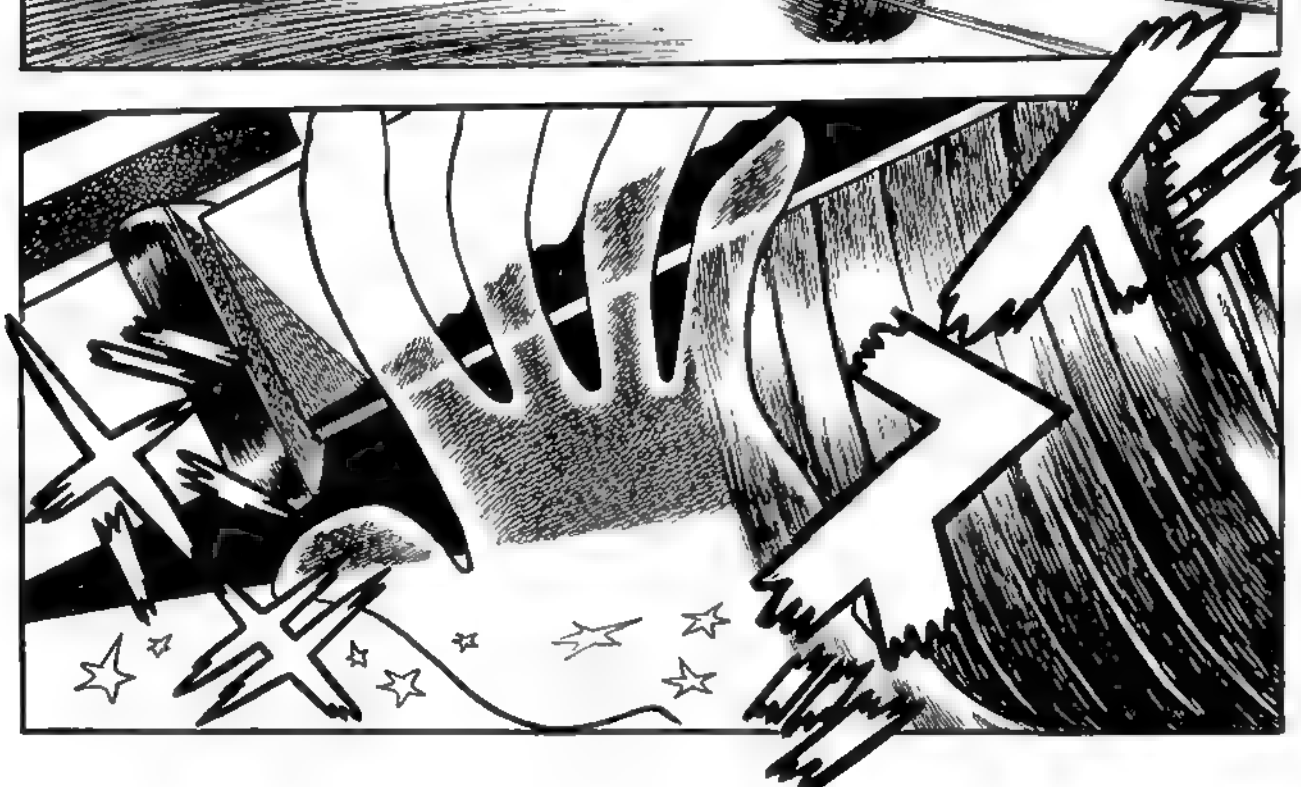
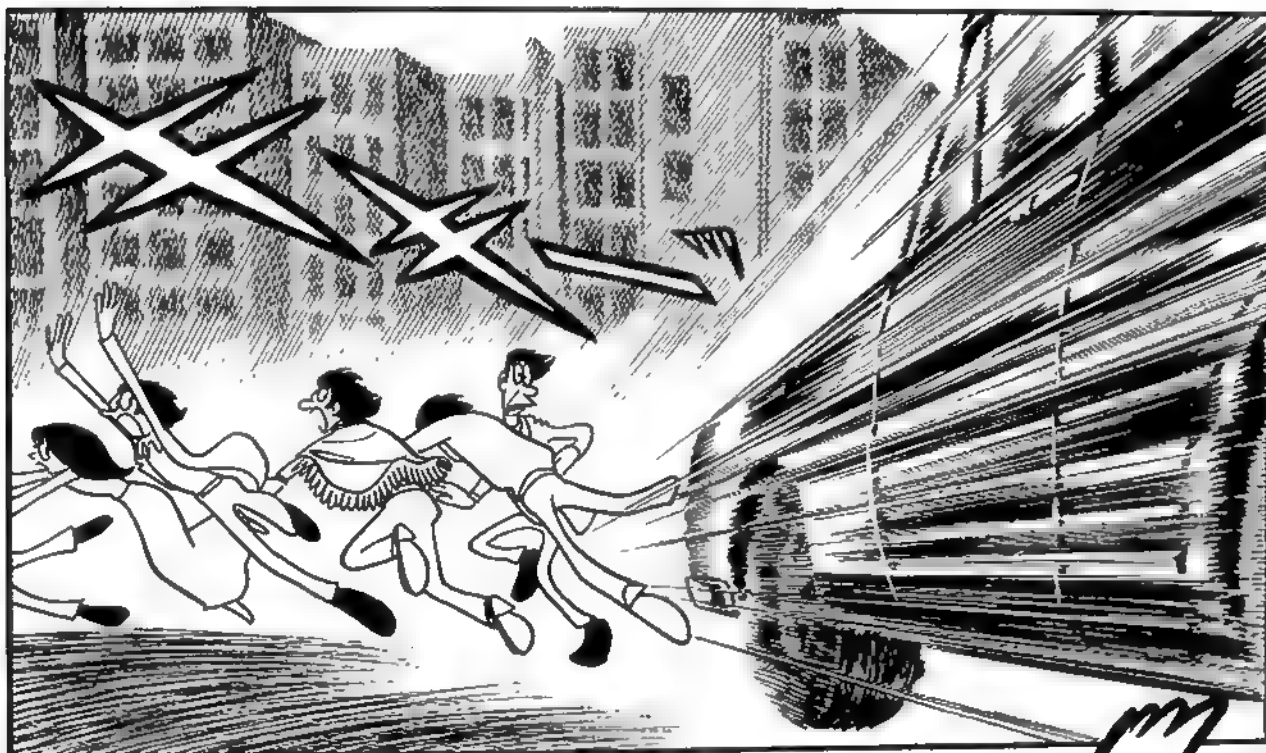


**HEEELP!**

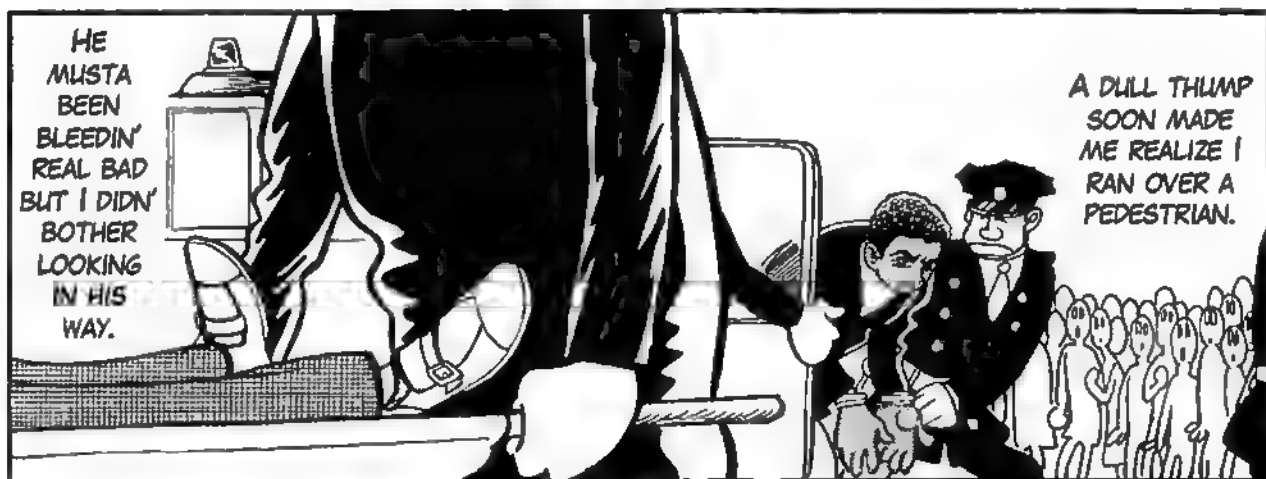
YOU...  
LYIN'  
BITCH!



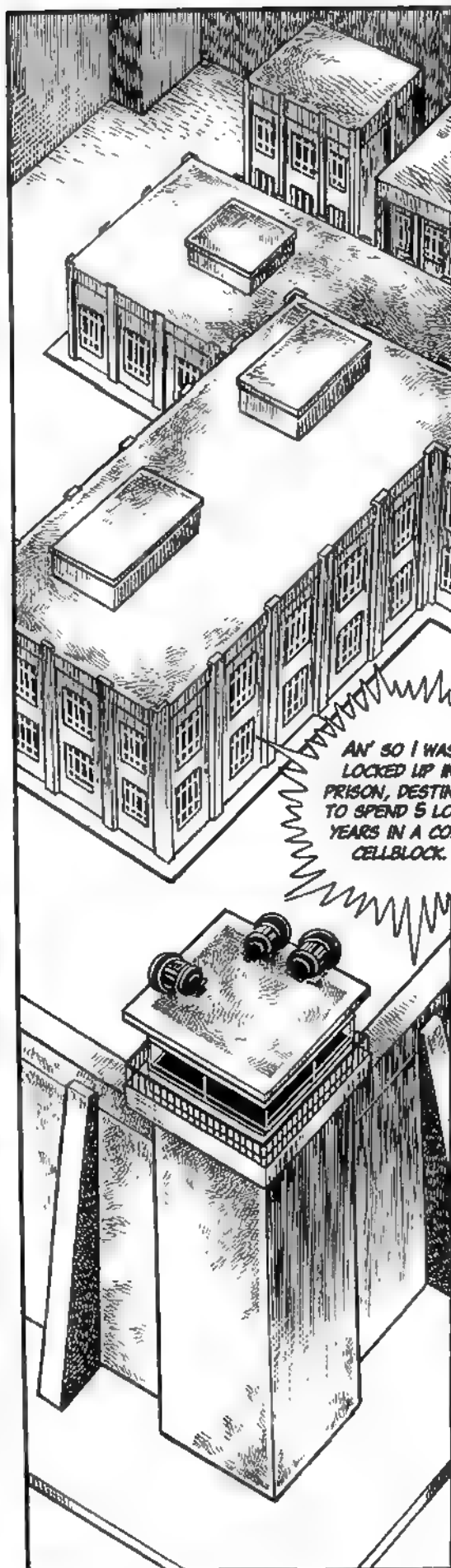
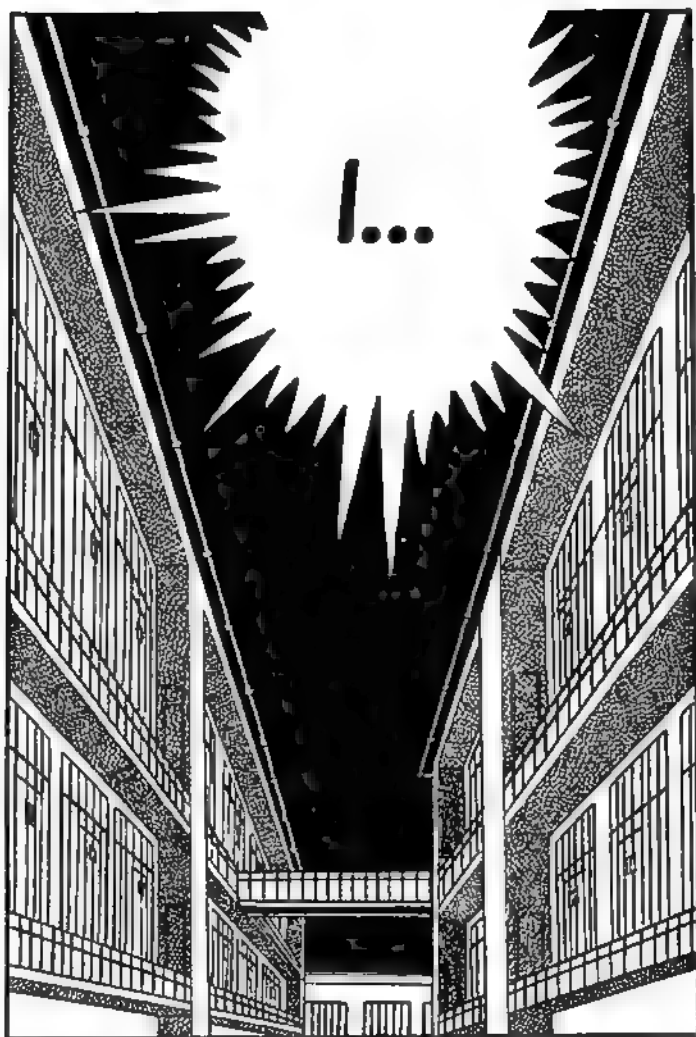


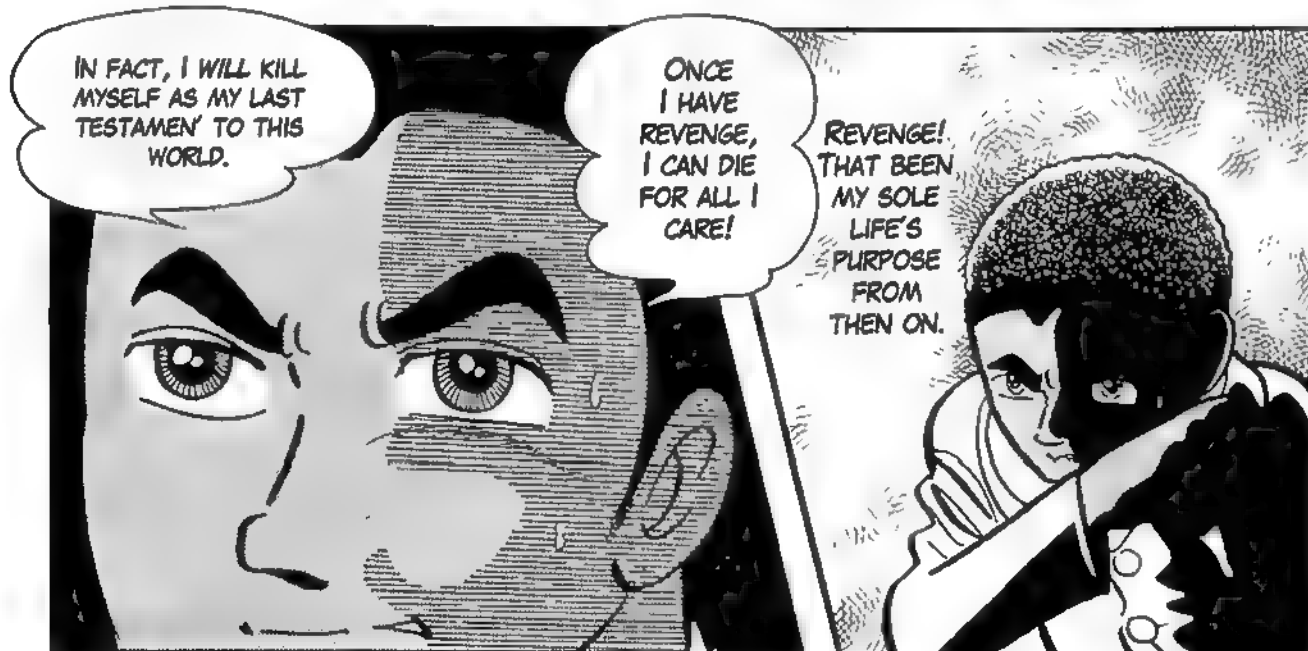


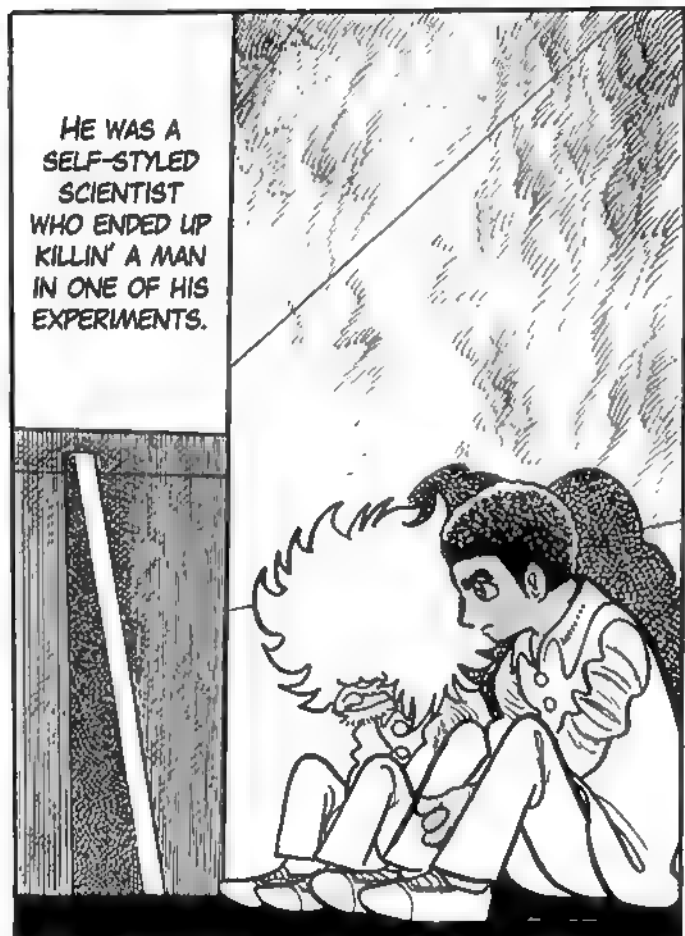




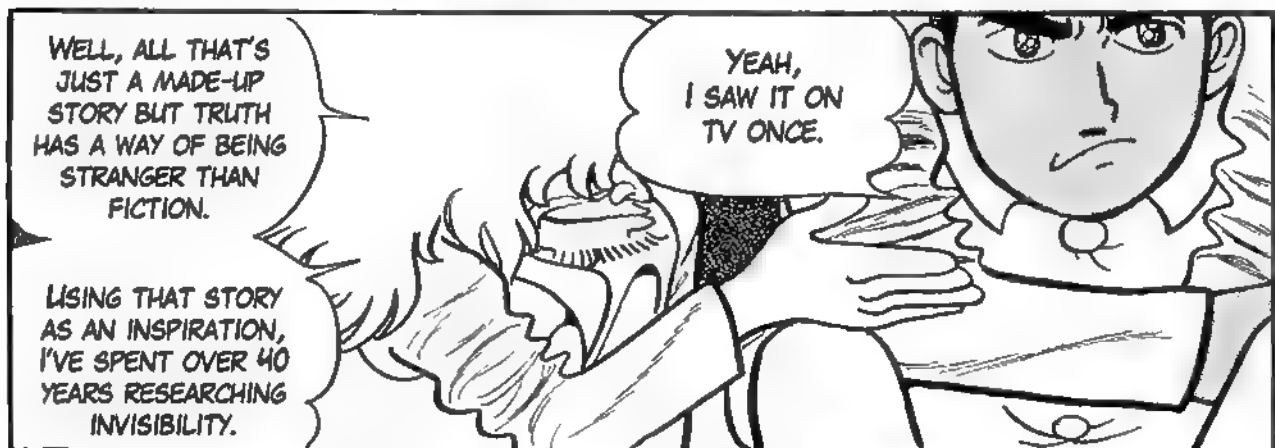


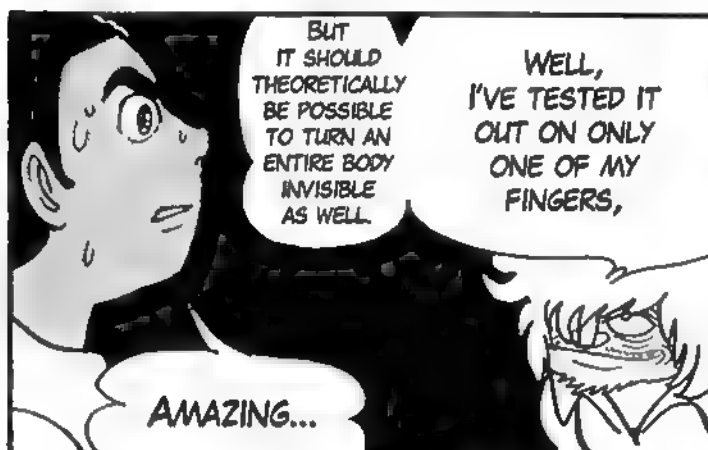
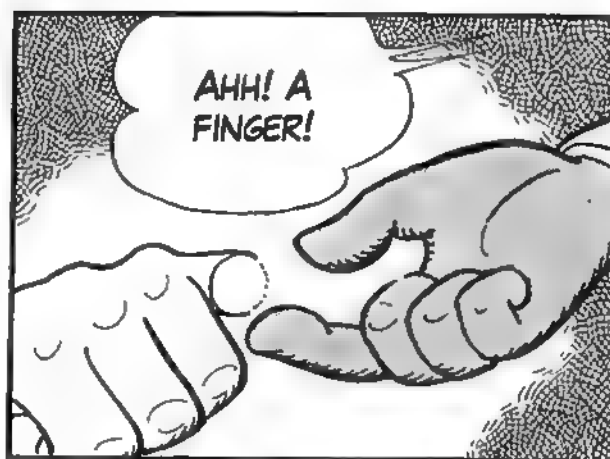
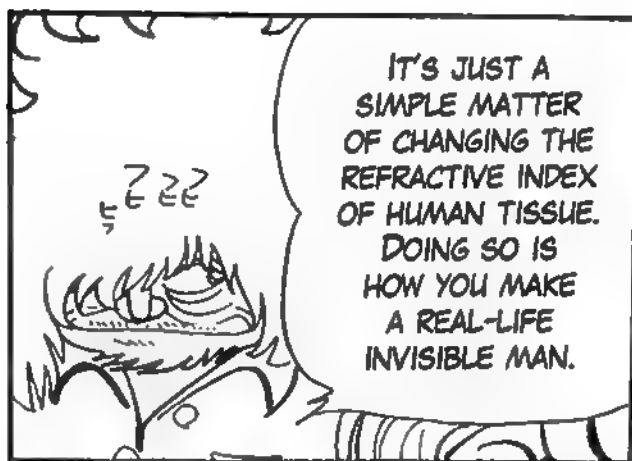


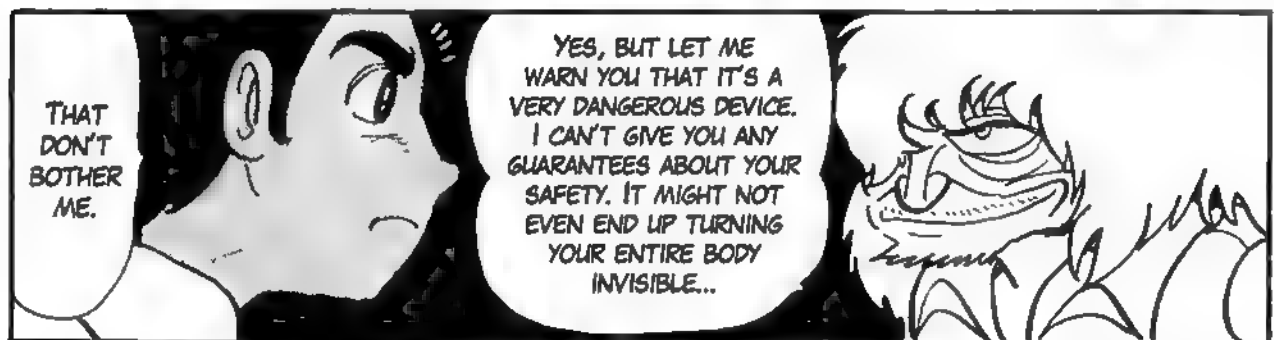
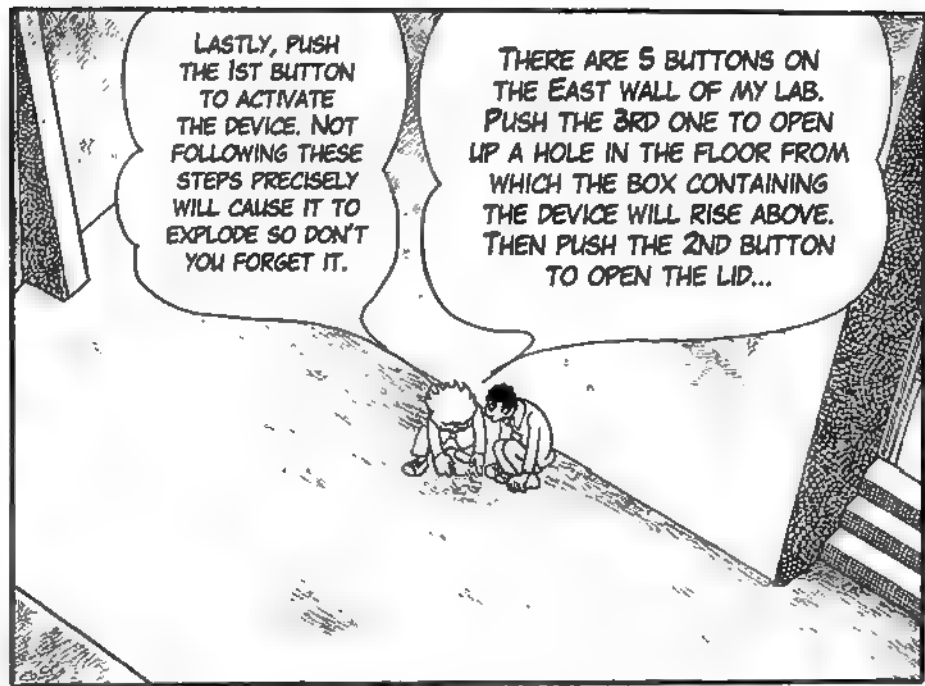






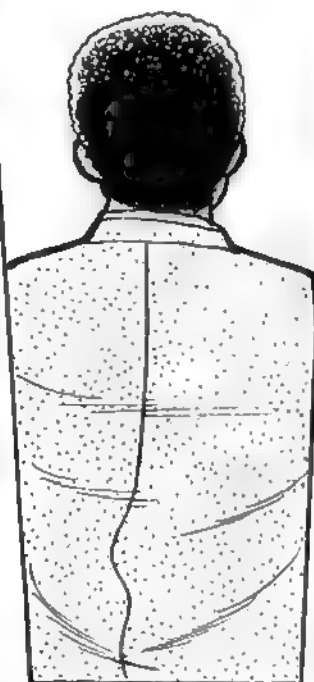




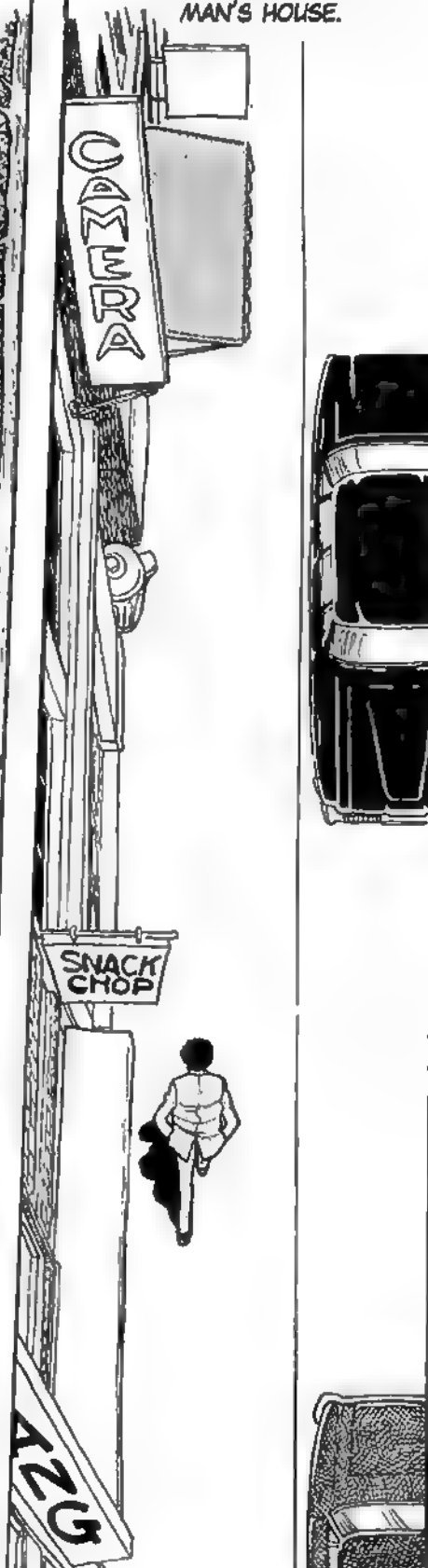




AND THERE IT WAS!  
JUST AS HE SAID! AN  
EERIE, DECREPIT HOUSE  
SURROUNDED BY A GROVE OF  
TREES. I THEN ENTERED,  
HOPING THE LAB WAS  
INSIDE AS HE SAID...

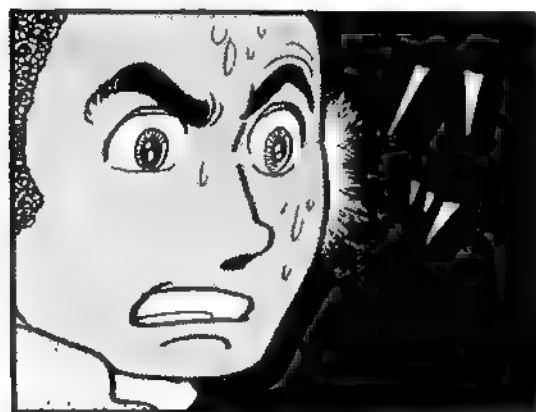
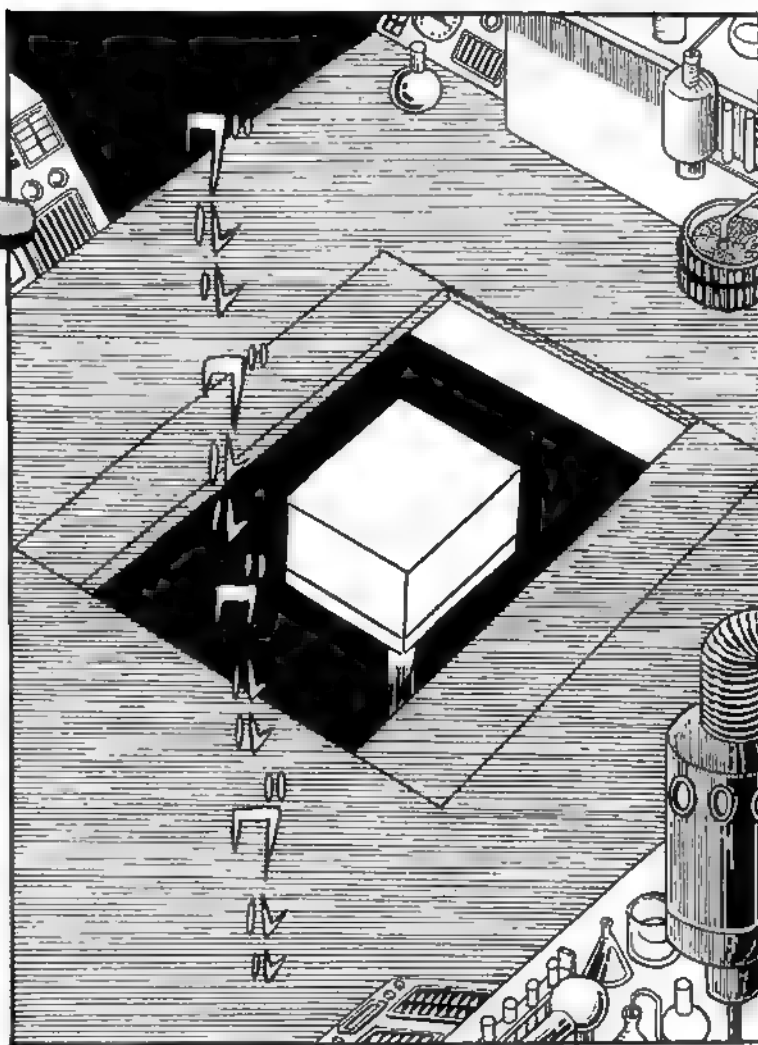
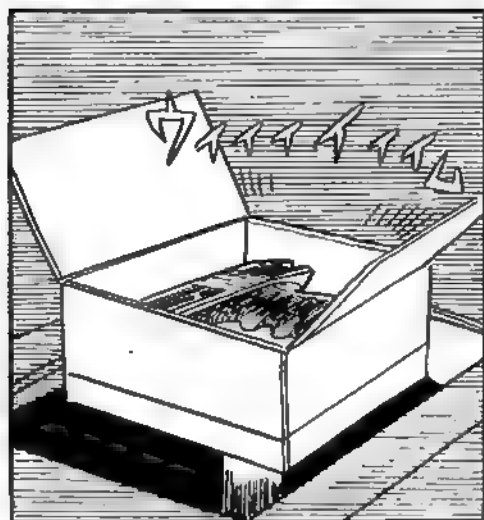


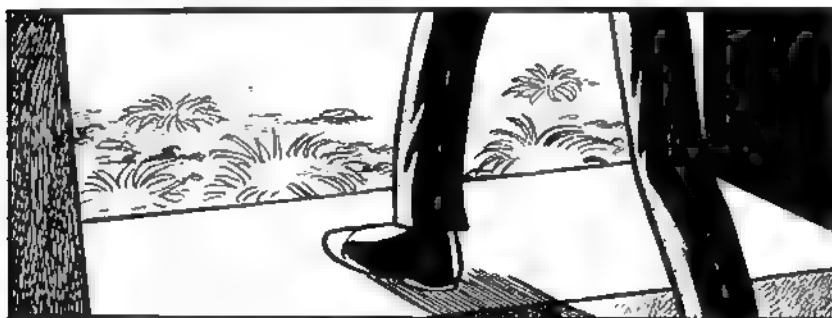
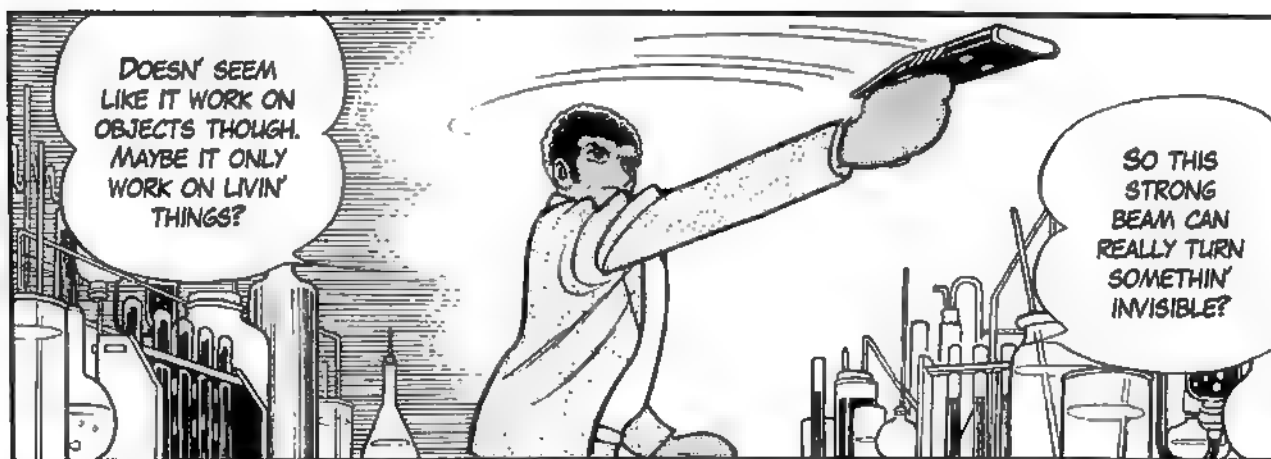
ONCE I HAD SERVED  
MY PRISON TERM AND  
MADE MY WAY BACK TO  
THE OUTSIDE WORLD,  
I IMMEDIATELY STARTED  
LOOKING FOR THAT OLD  
MAN'S HOUSE.

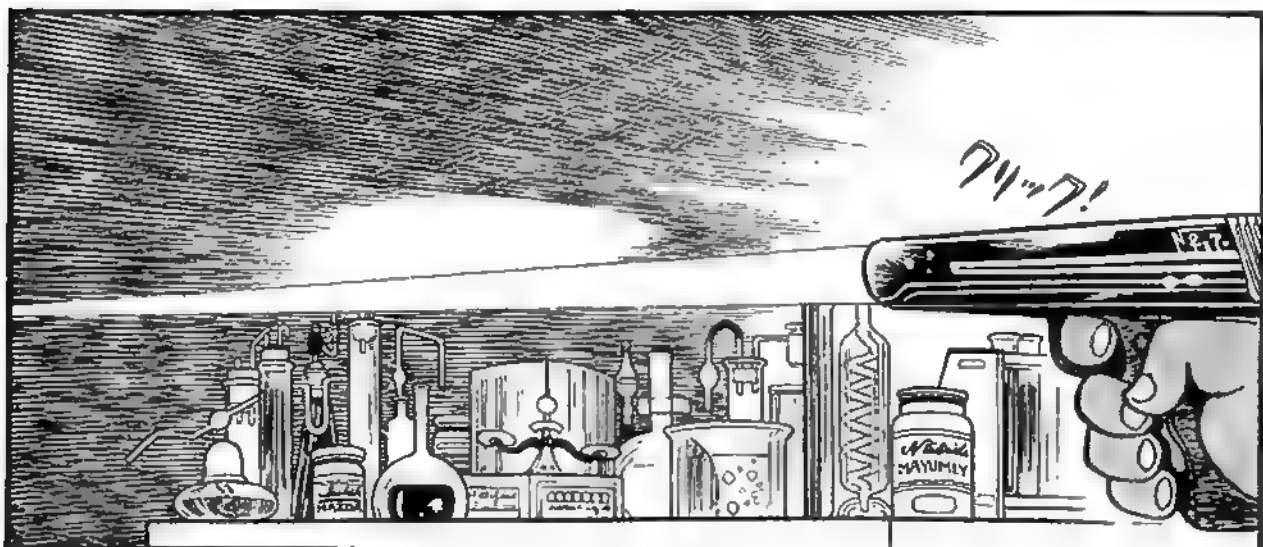
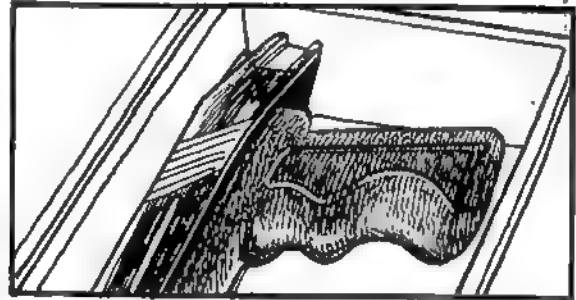




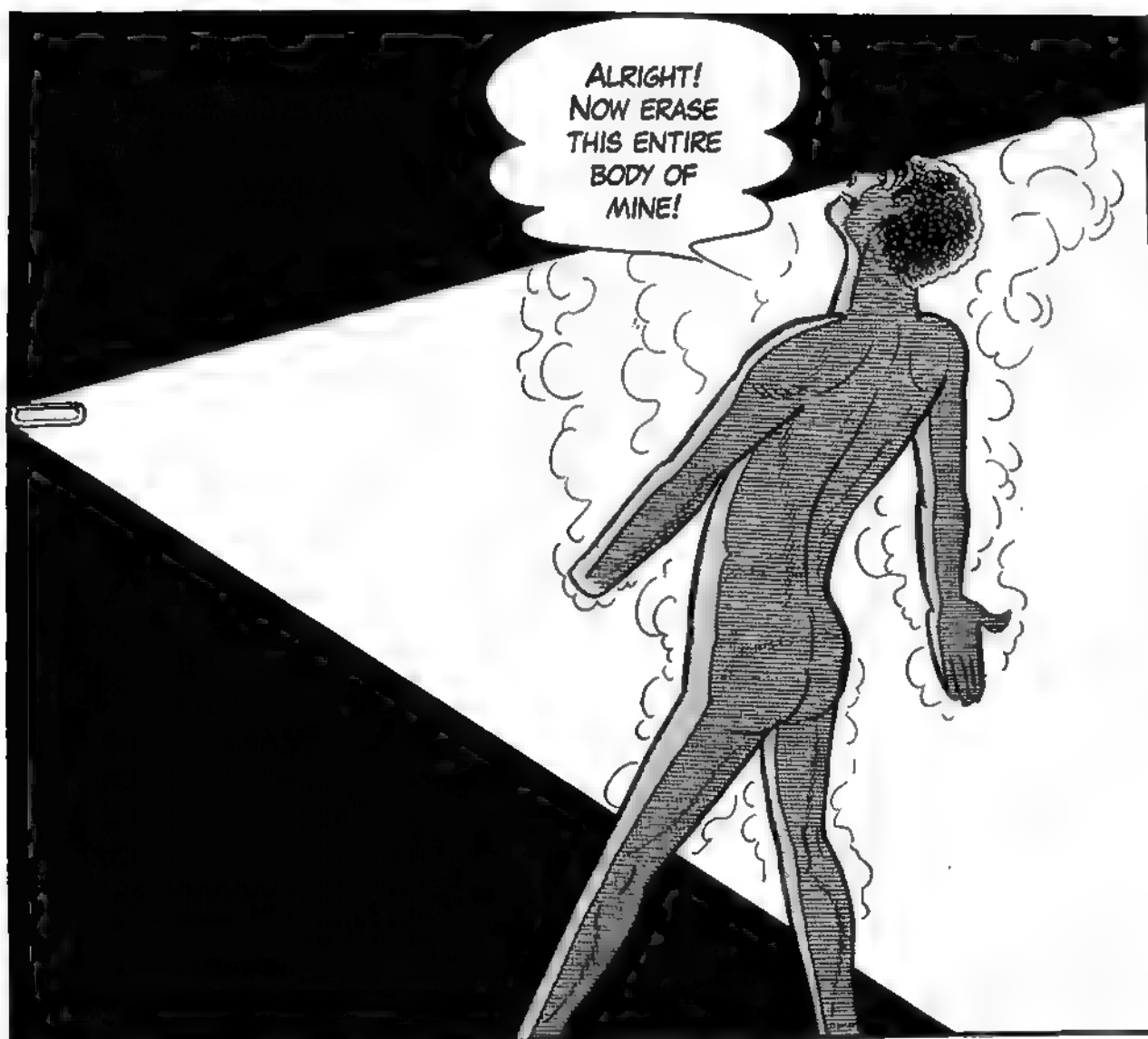




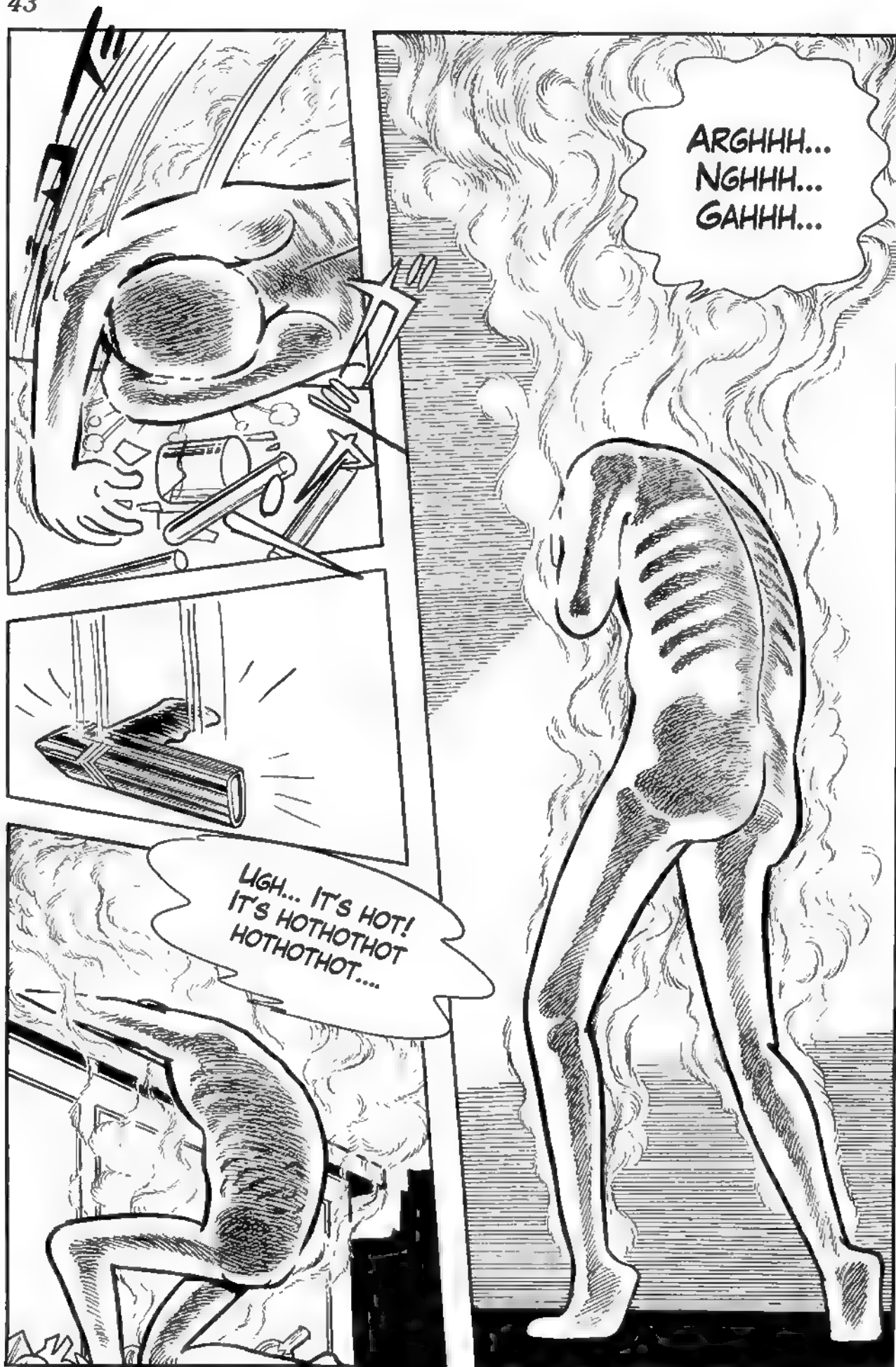


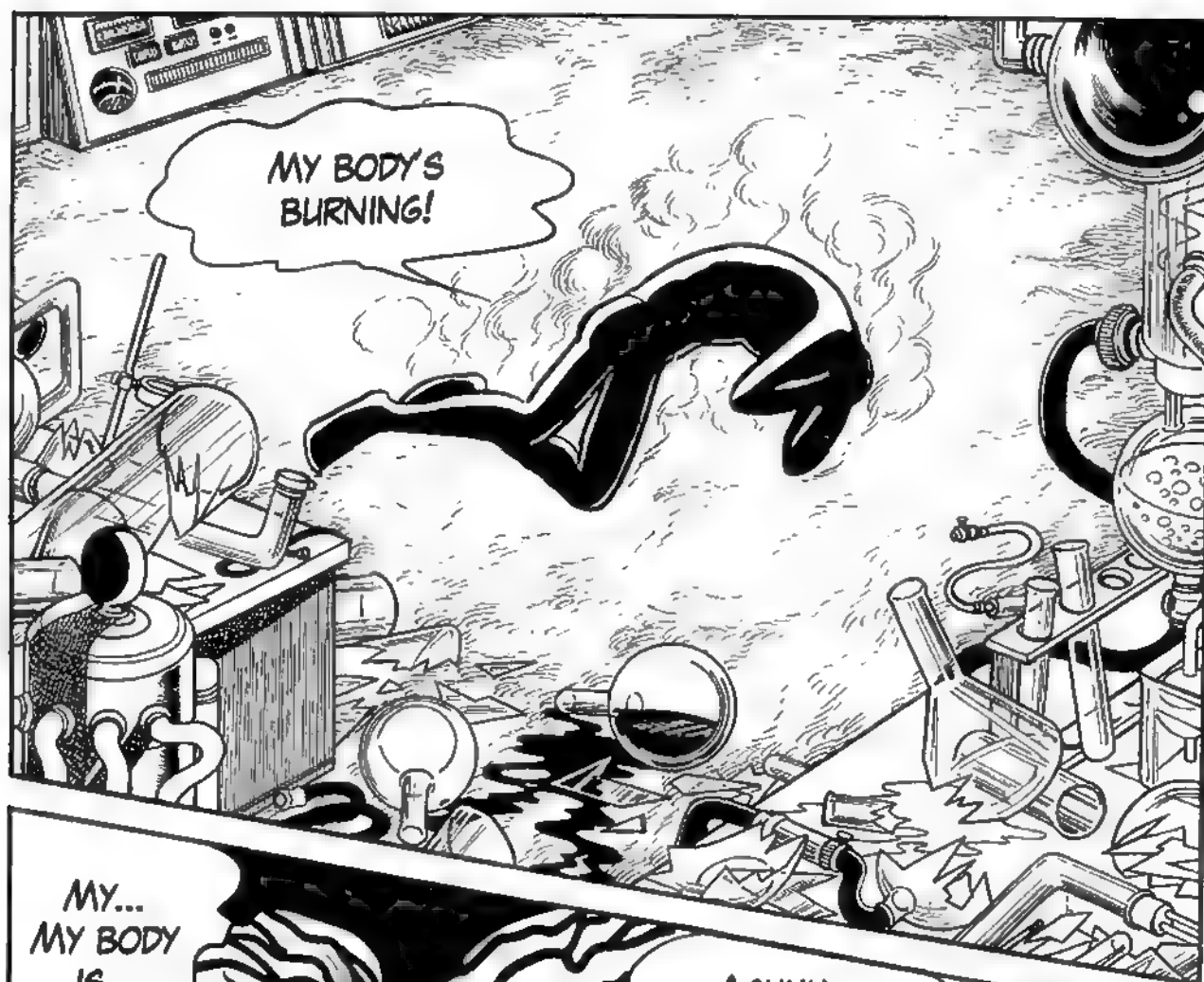




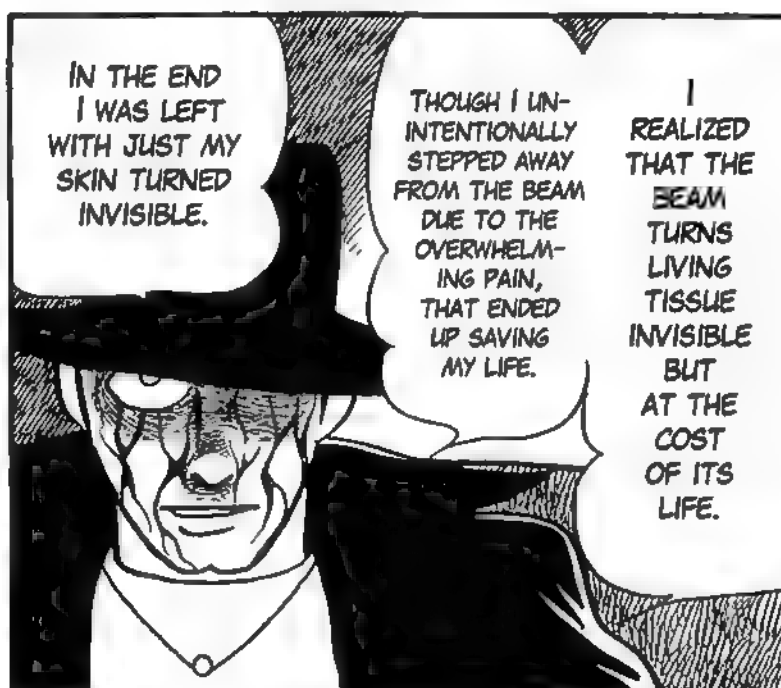
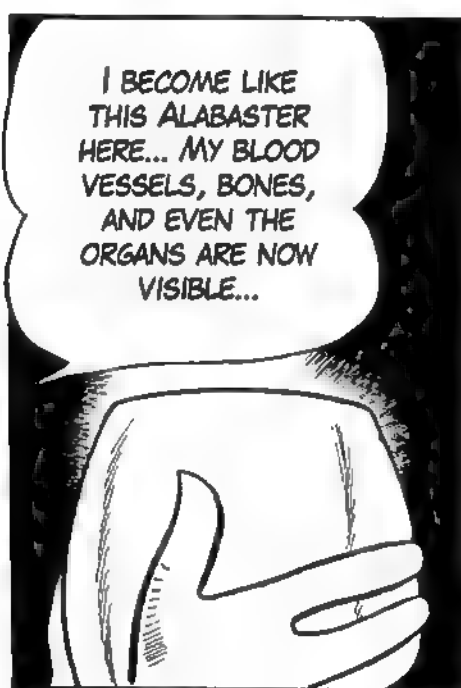


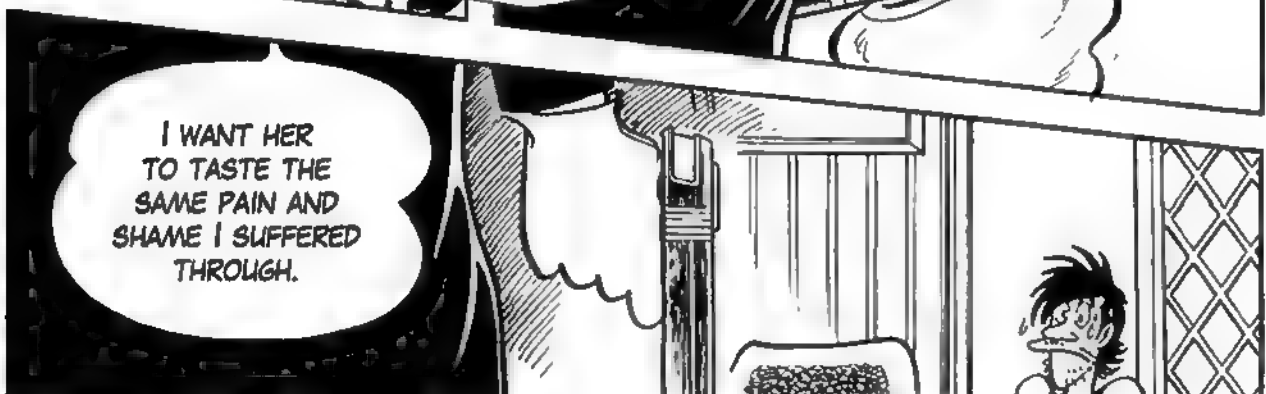




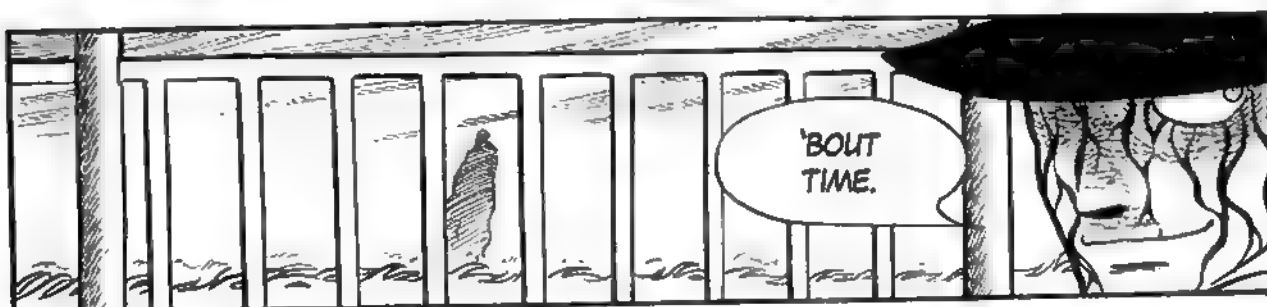
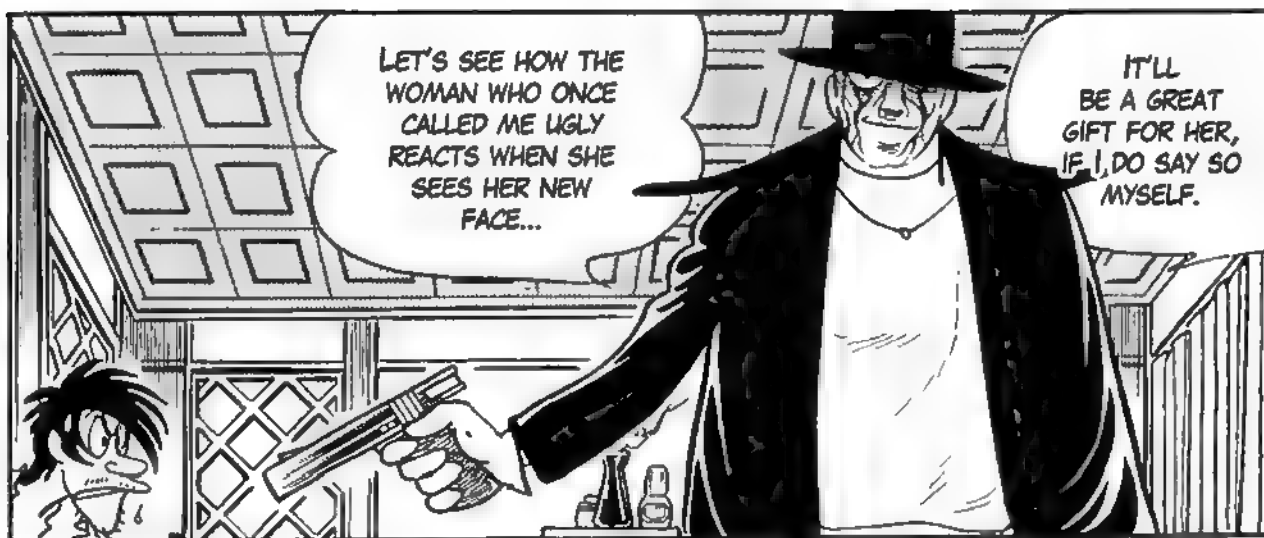


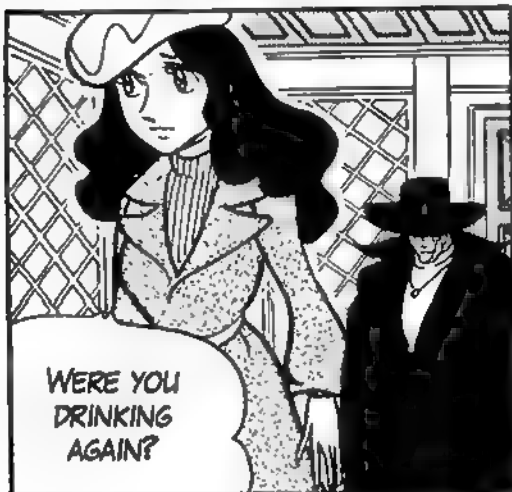
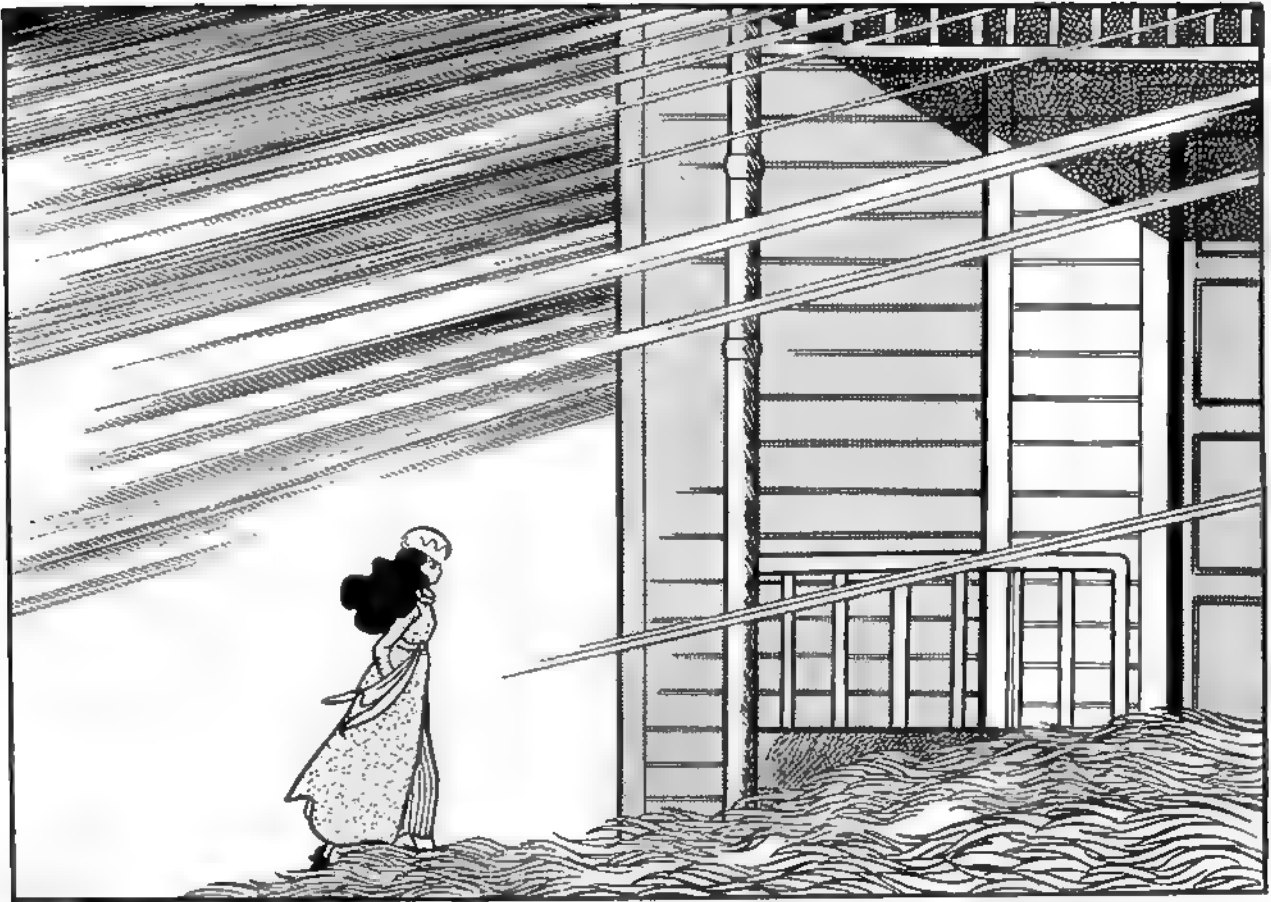


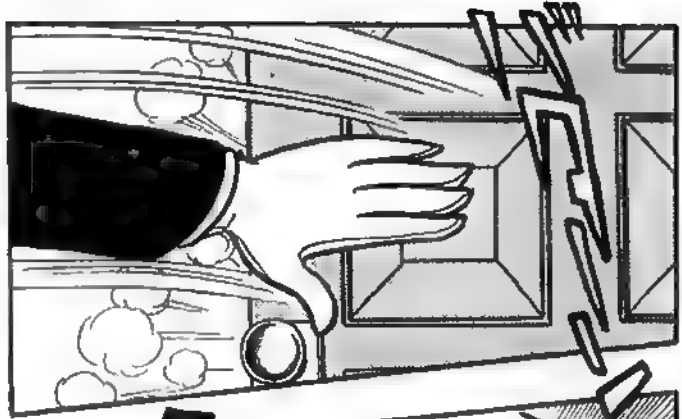






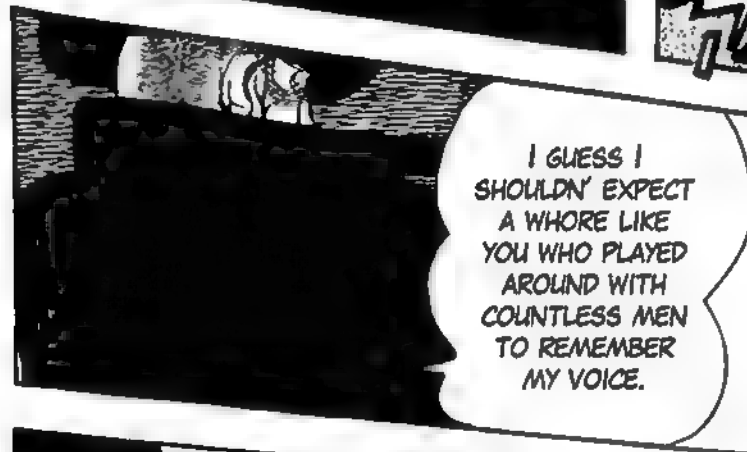






NO NEED  
TO BE SO  
SHOCKED,  
SUSAN  
ROSS.

YOU  
REMEMBER  
MY VOICE?



I GUESS I  
SHOULDN' EXPECT  
A WHORE LIKE  
YOU WHO PLAYED  
AROUND WITH  
COUNTLESS MEN  
TO REMEMBER  
MY VOICE.



WHOEVER  
YOU ARE,  
JUST GET  
OUT OF MY  
HOUSE!

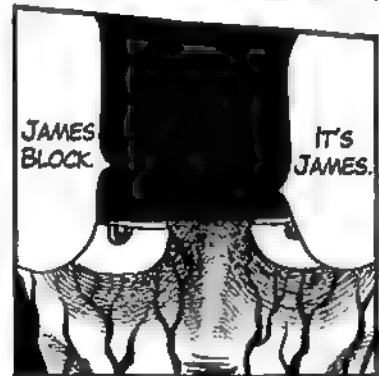
N-NO, I  
DON'T...



THE  
"NIGGER"  
WHO PRO-  
POSED TO  
YOU, IF YOU  
RECALL.

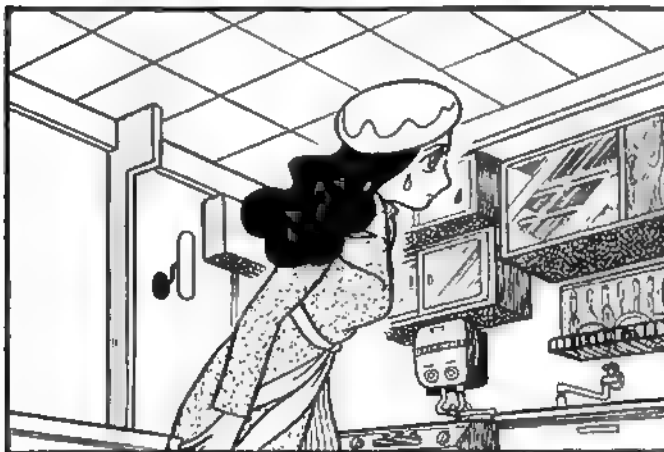


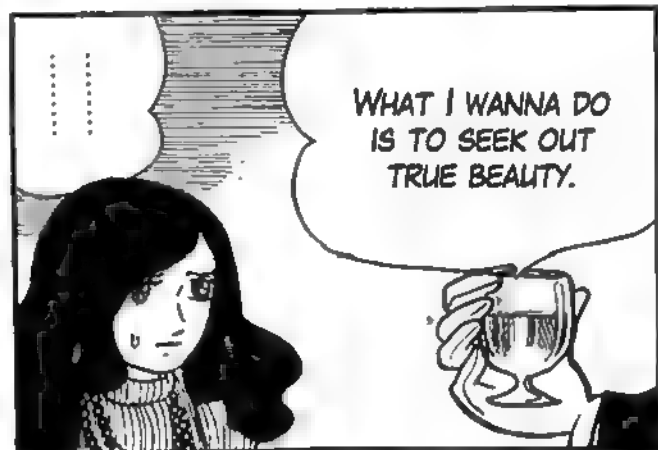
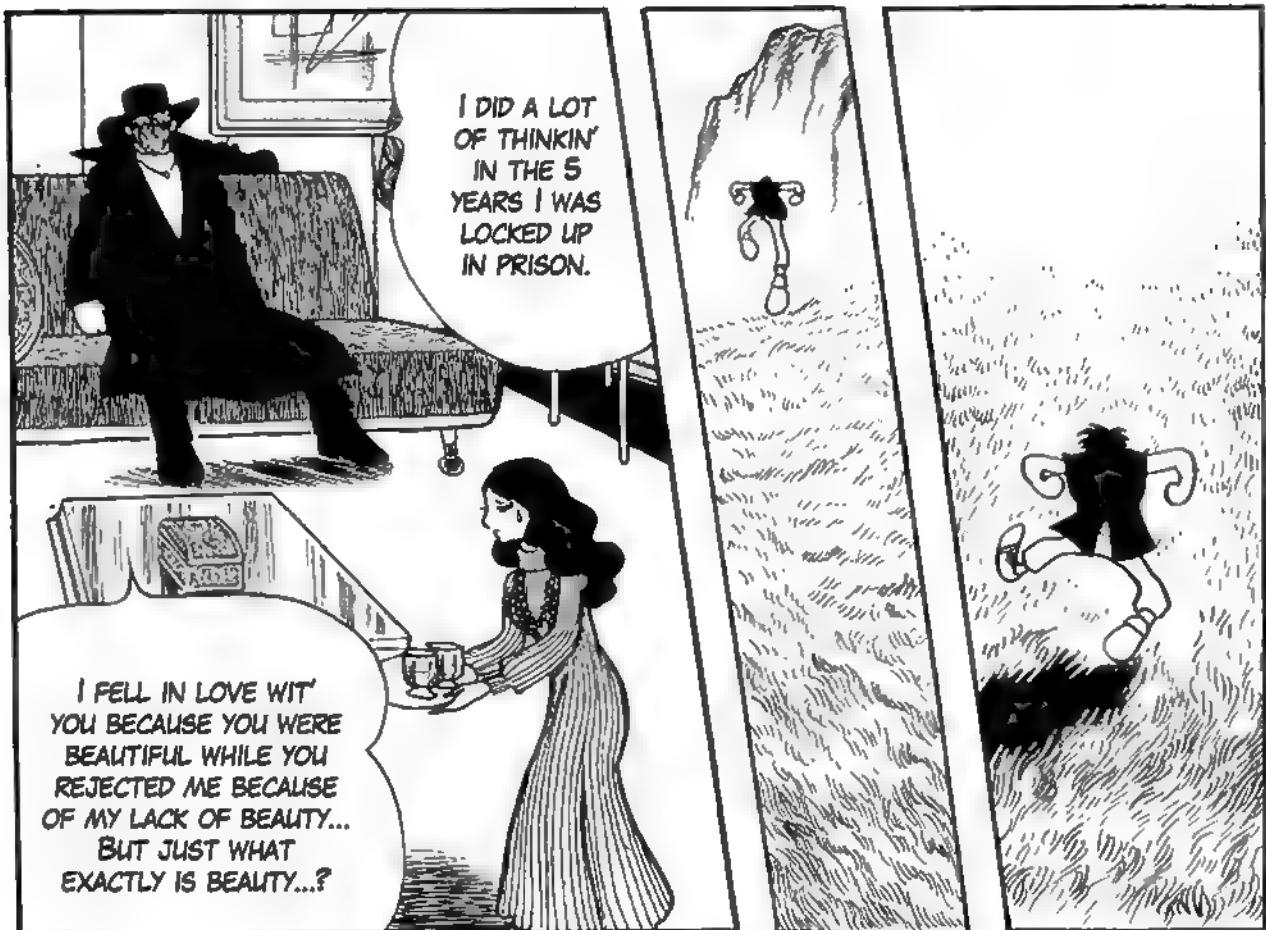
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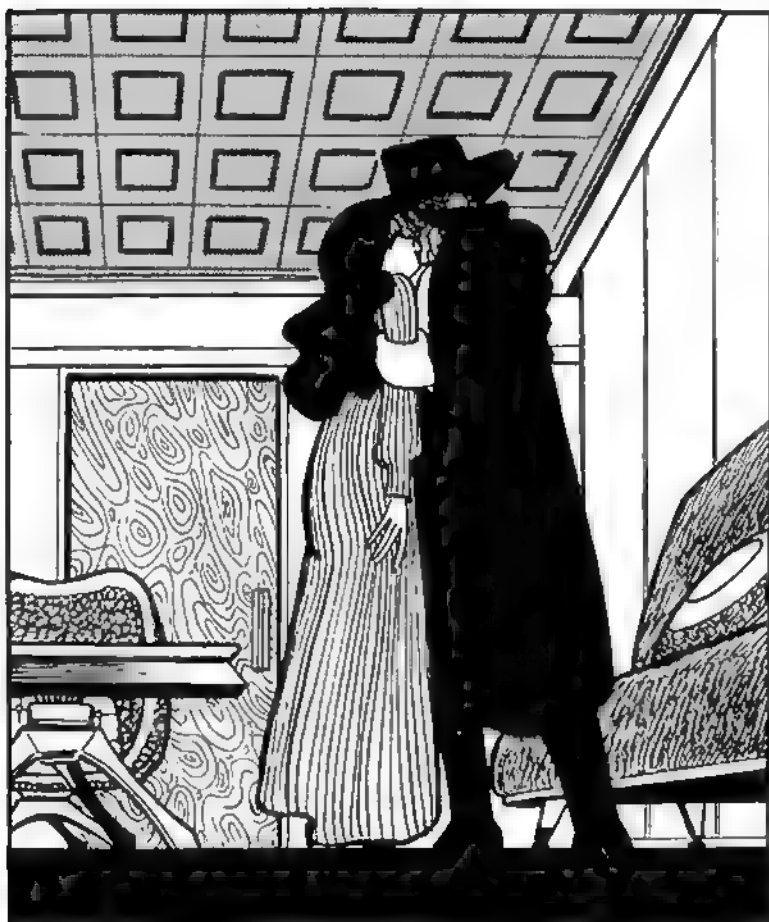
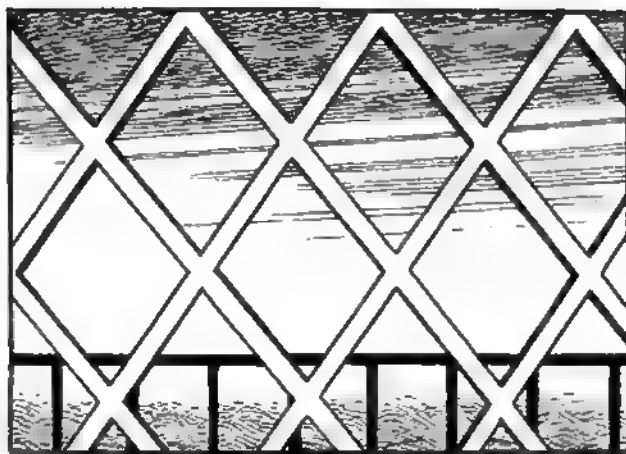
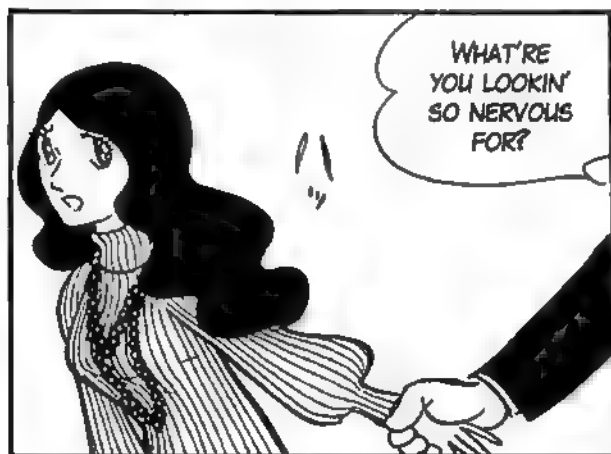
JAMES  
BLOCK.

IT'S  
JAMES.



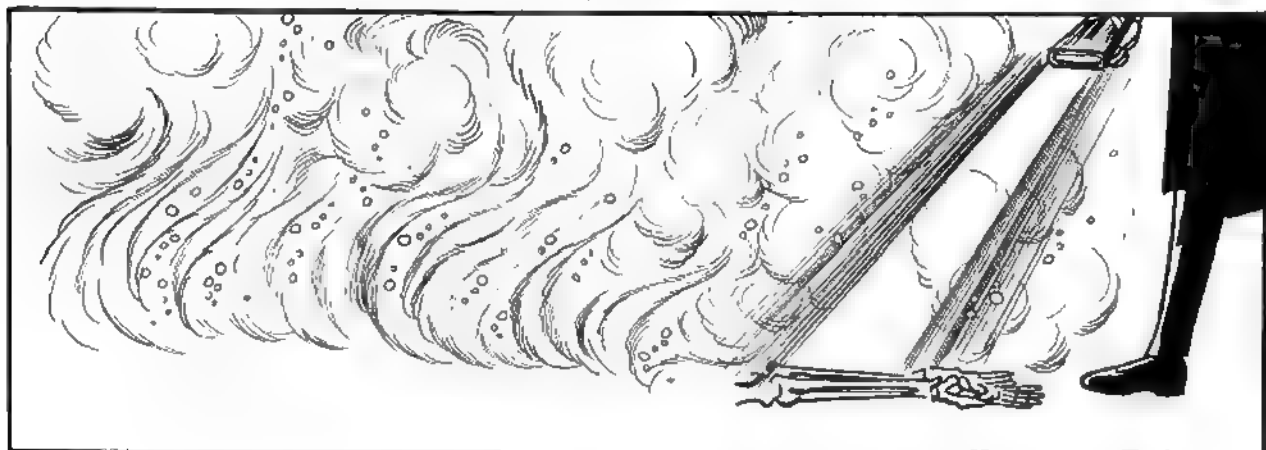
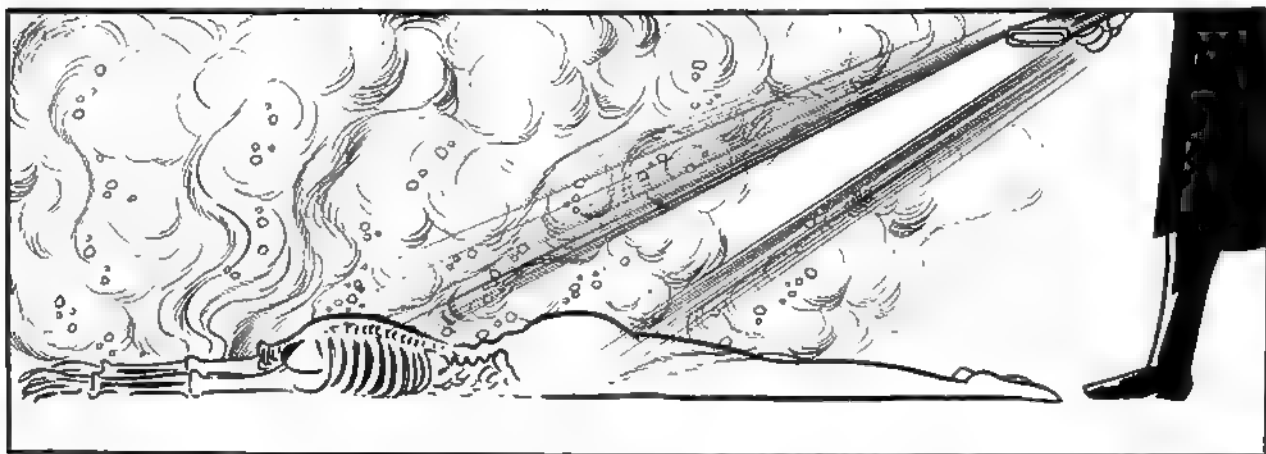
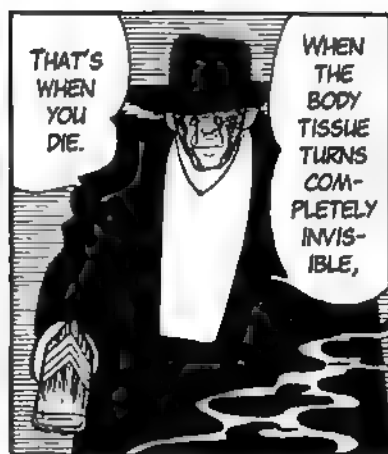


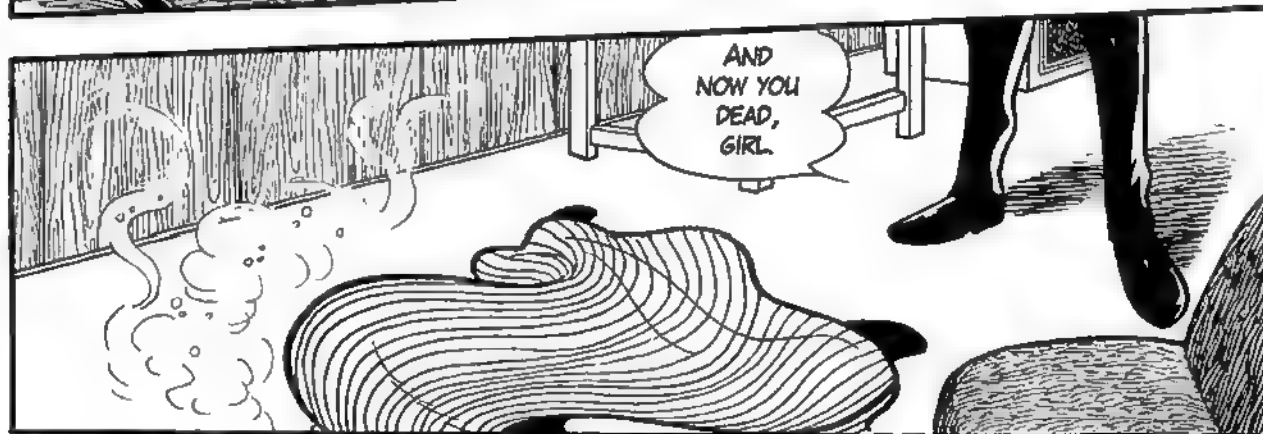




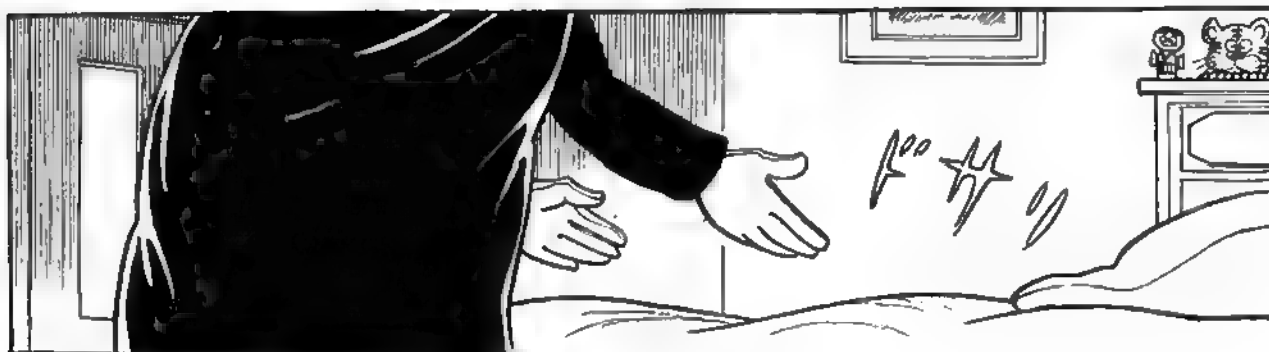
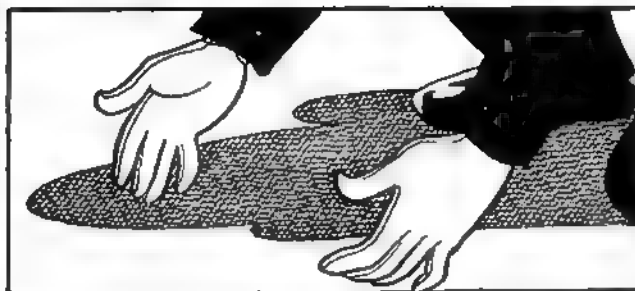


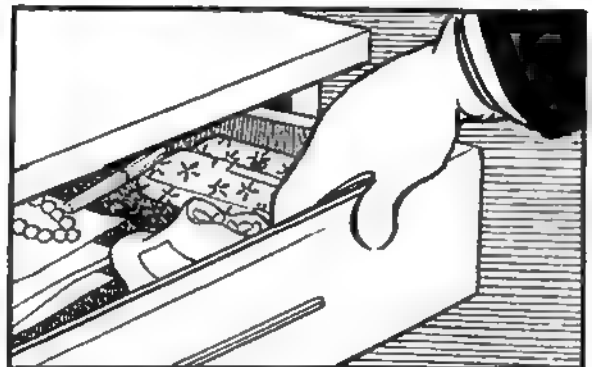
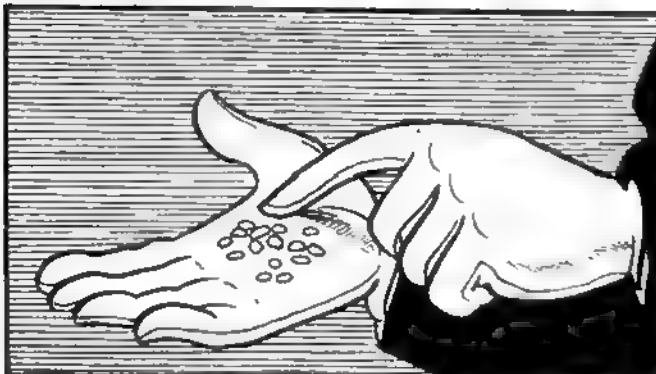
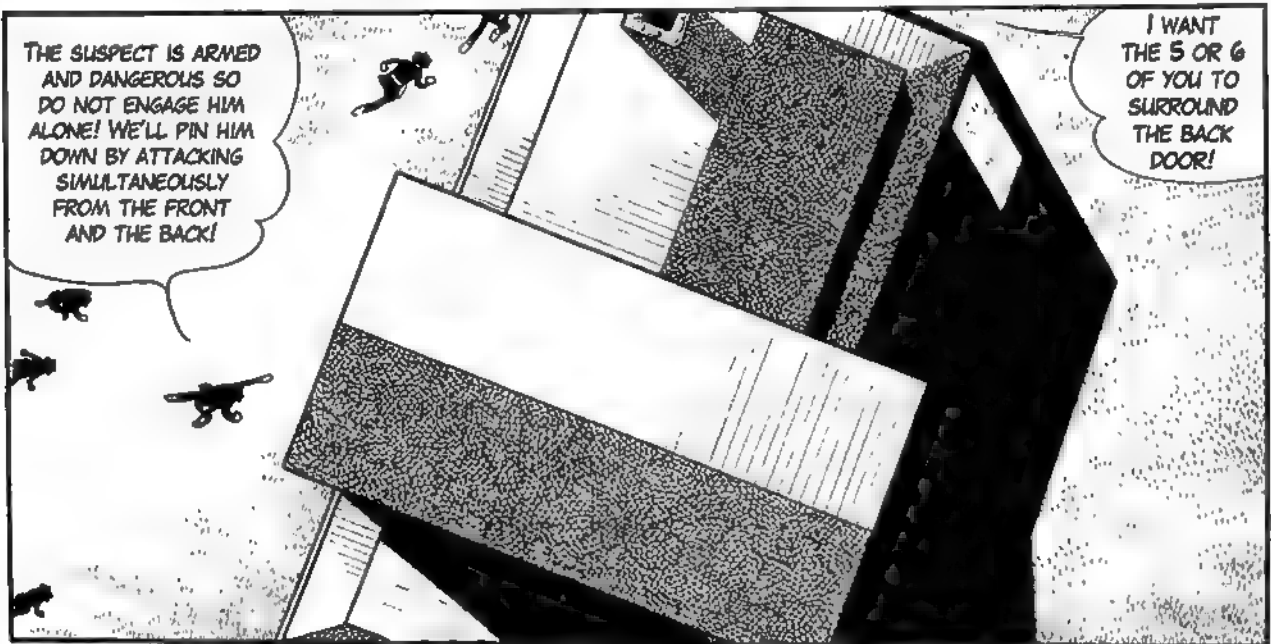
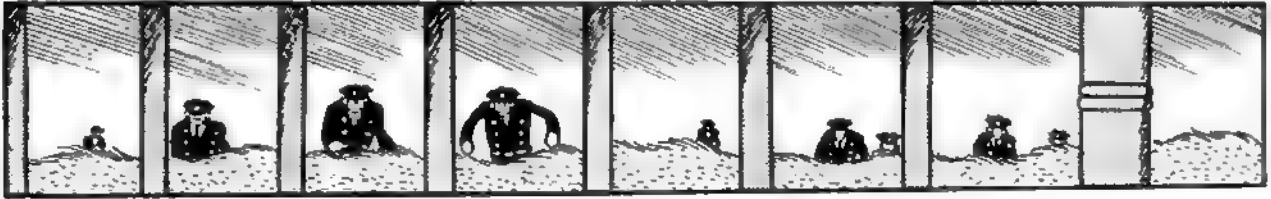


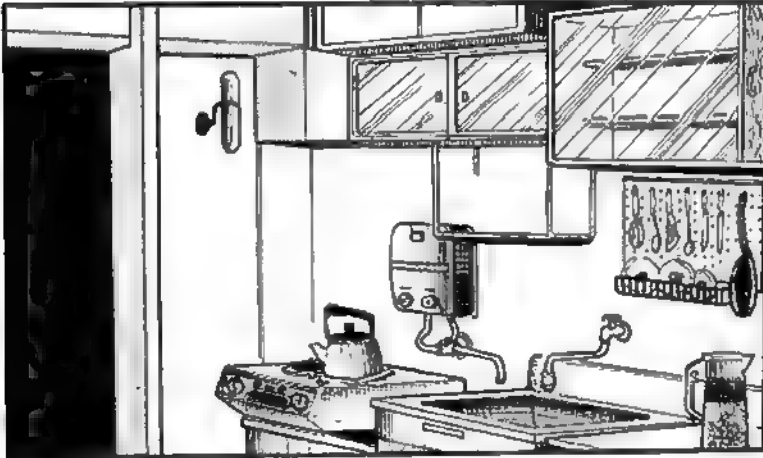
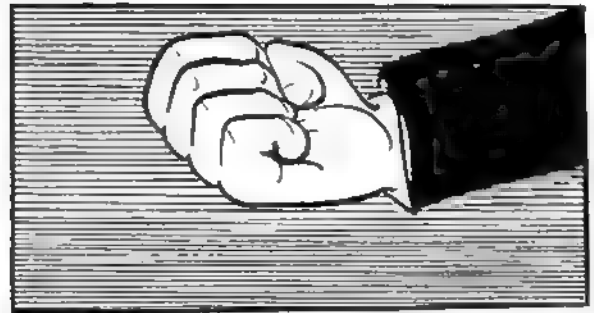


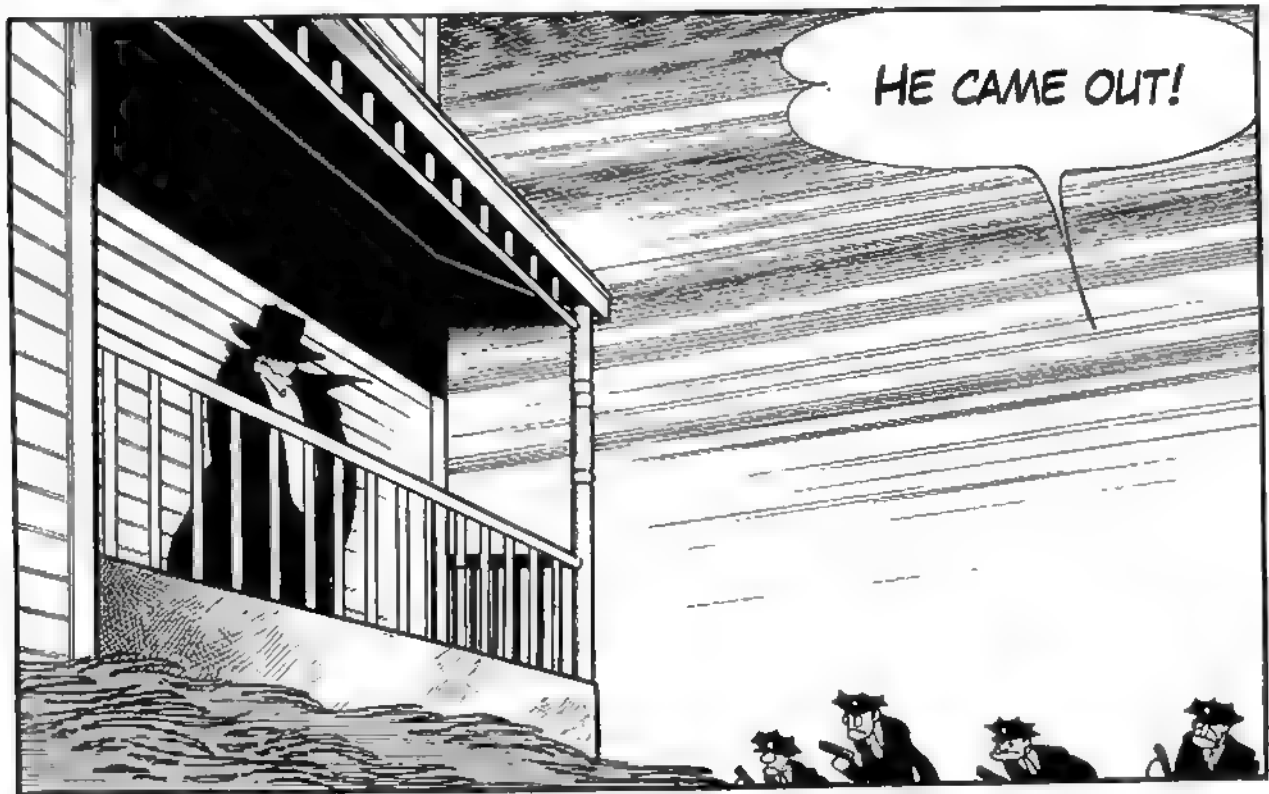
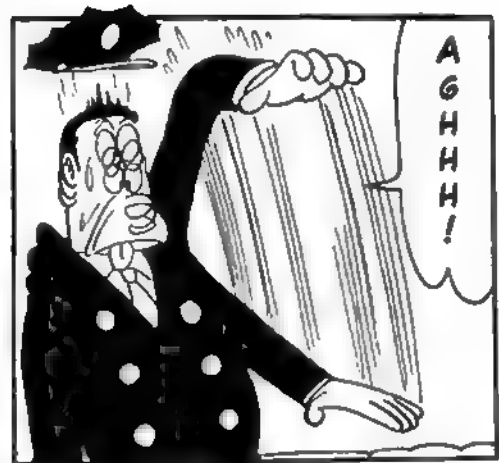
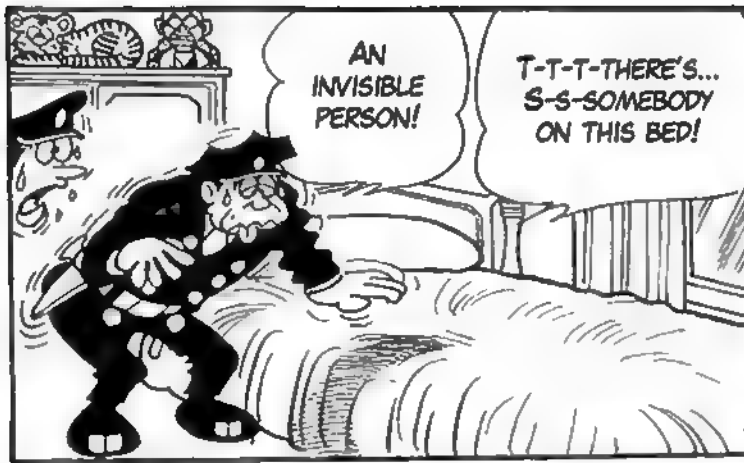


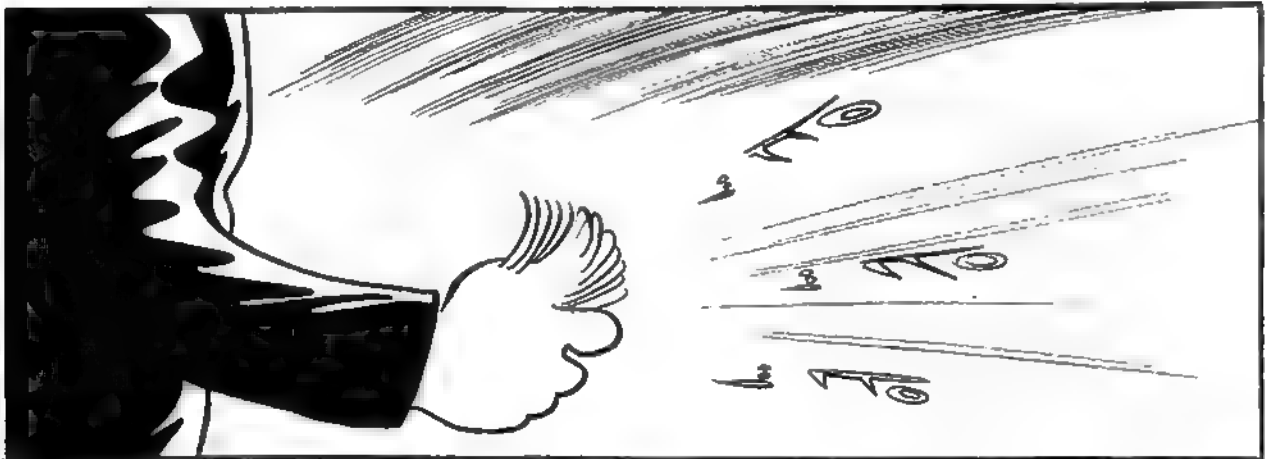




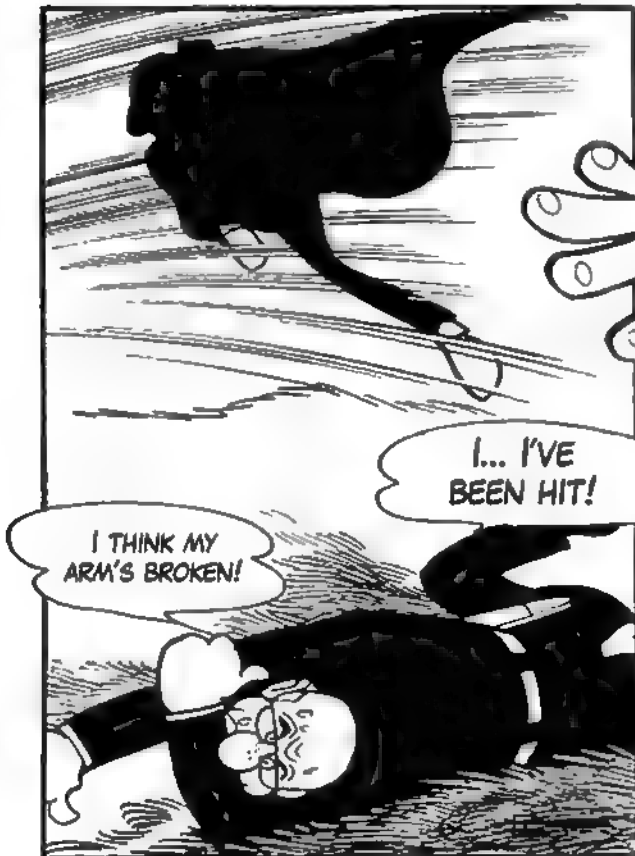






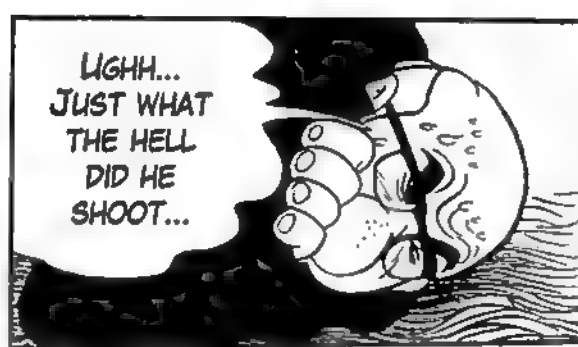


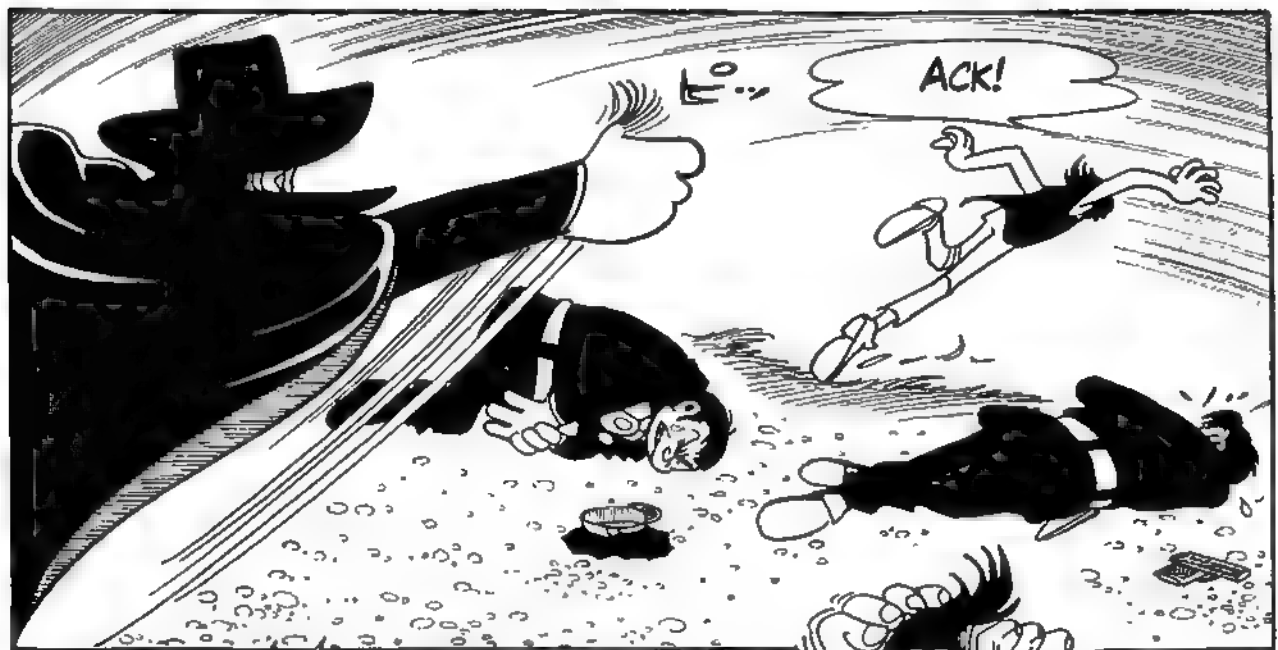
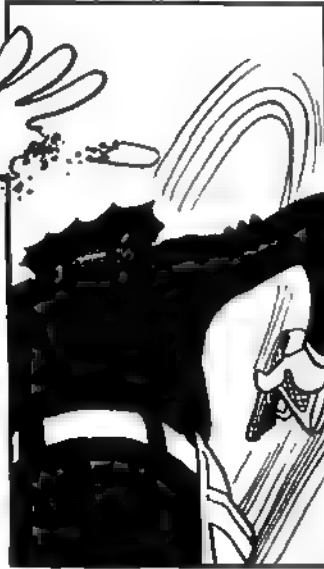


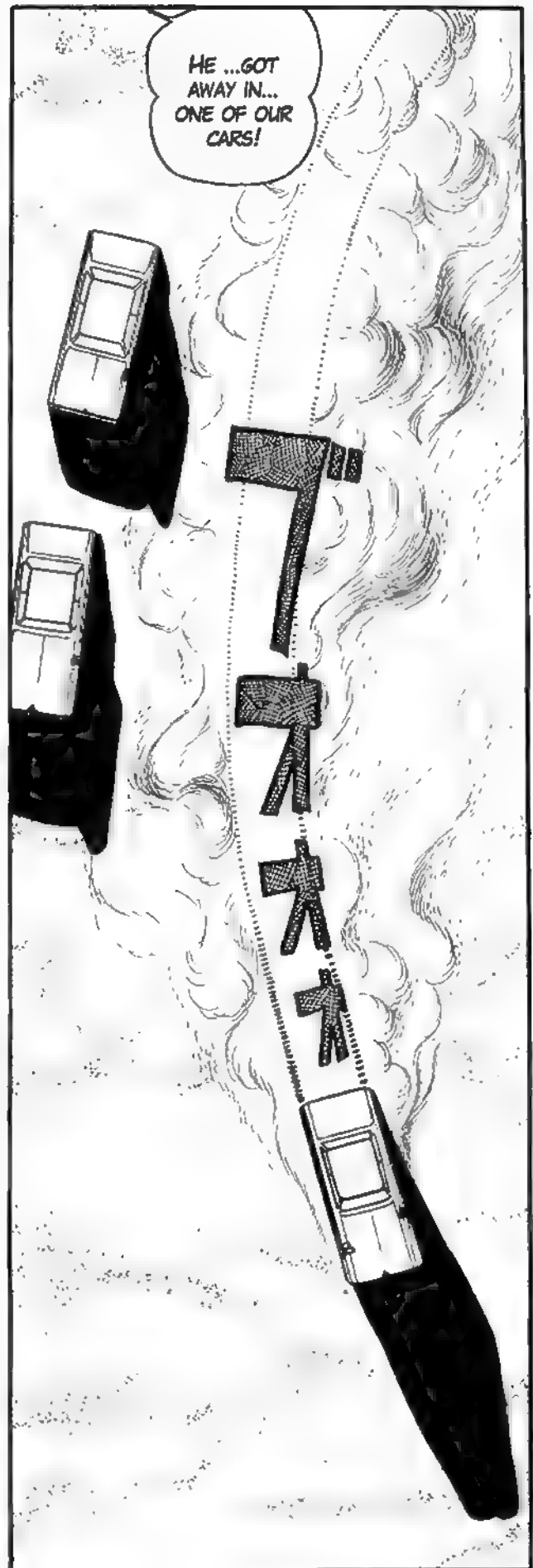
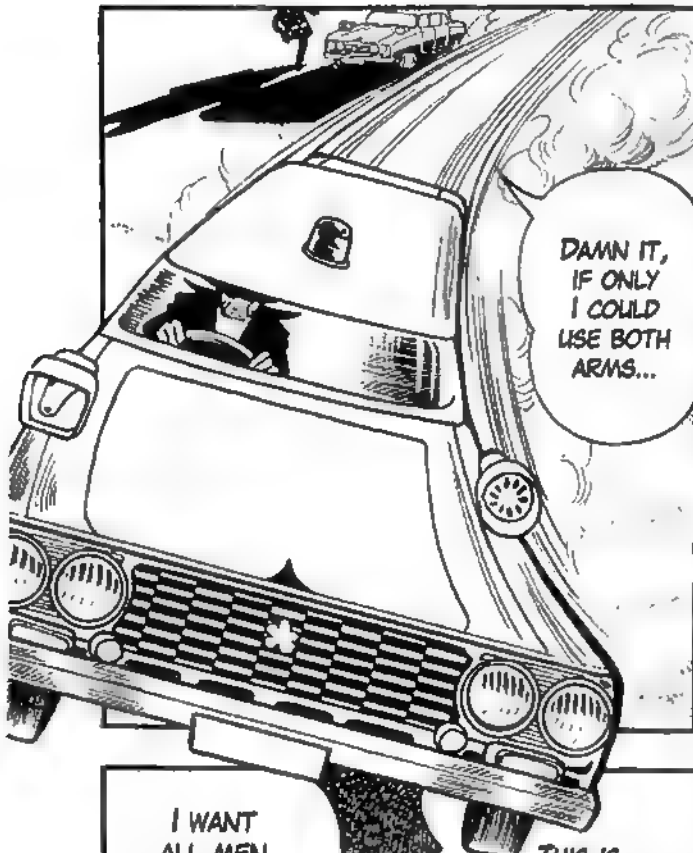


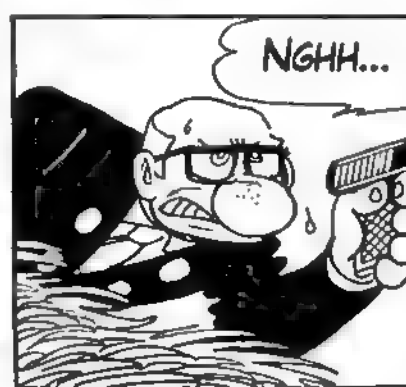
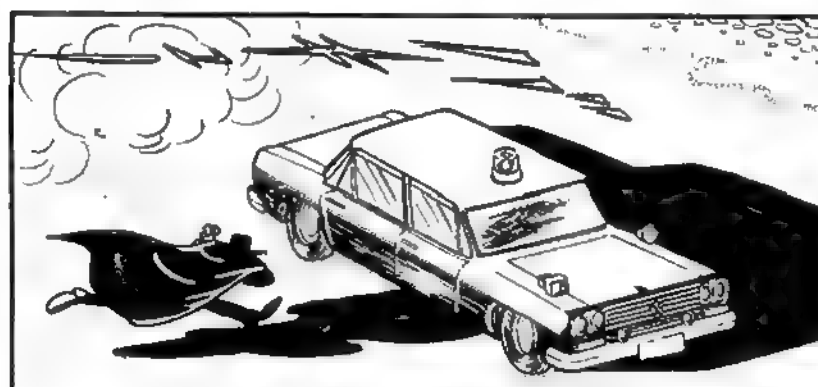
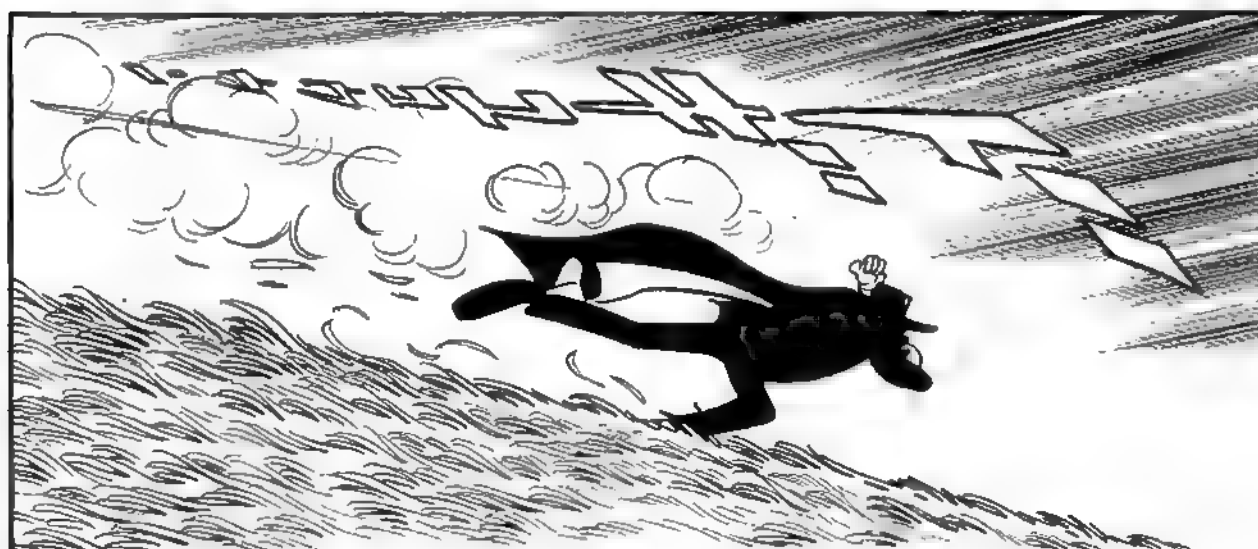
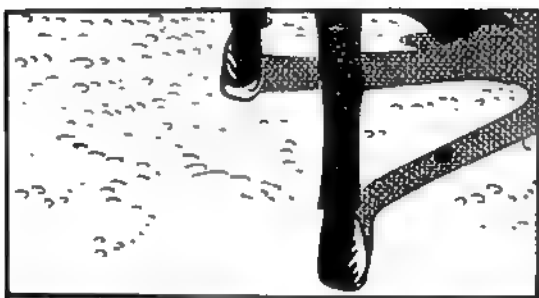
I... I'VE BEEN HIT!



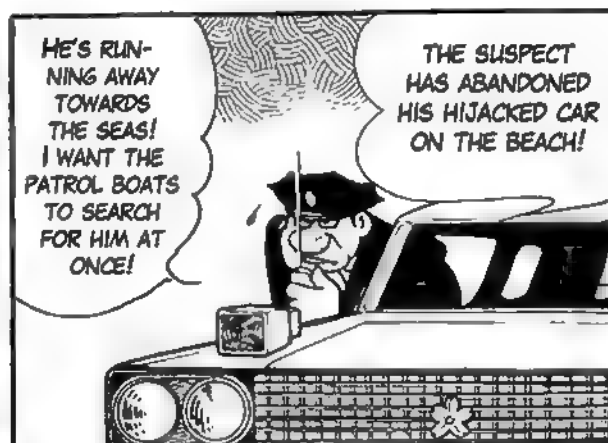
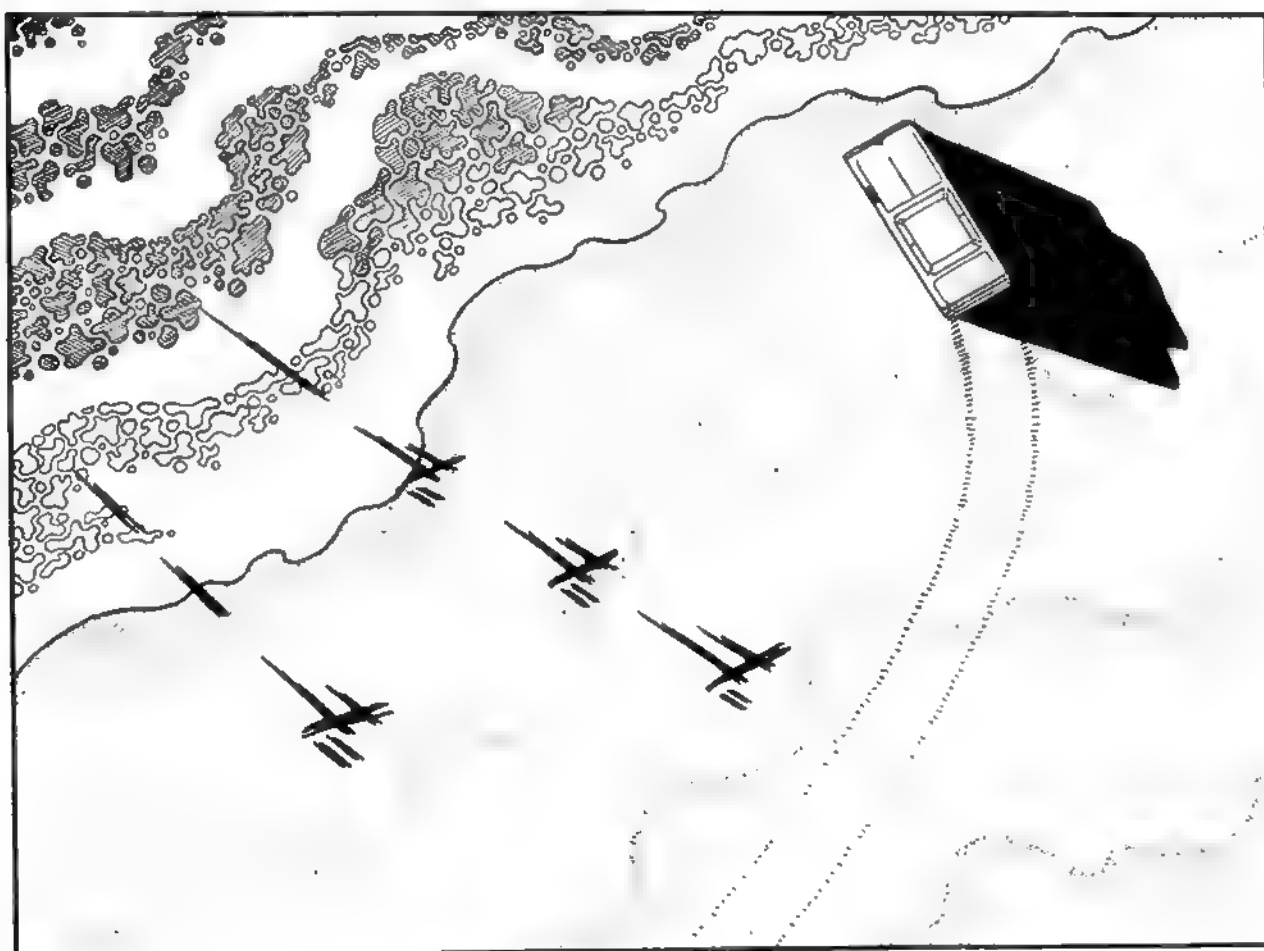
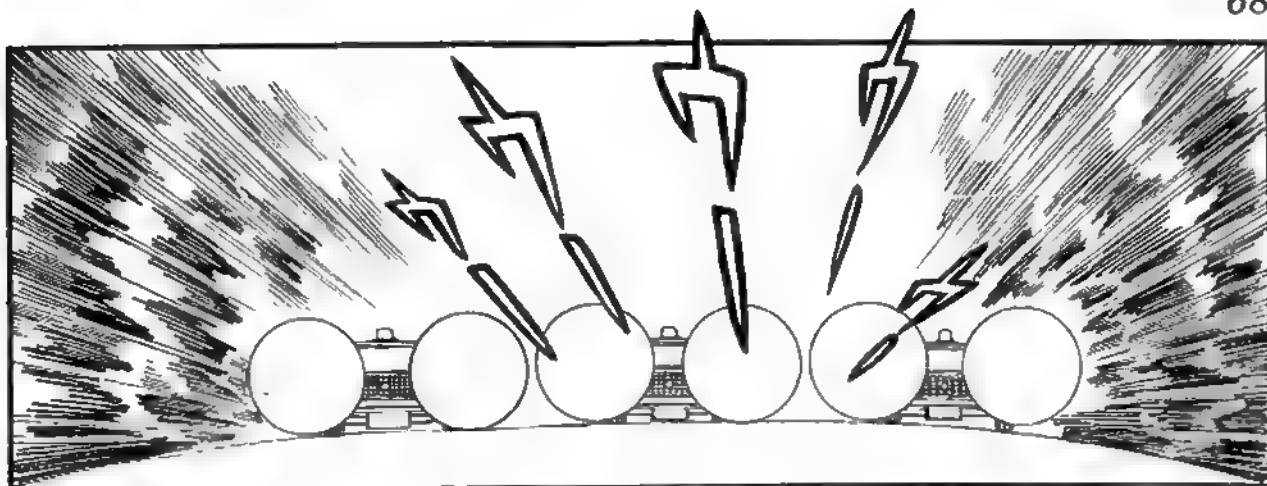


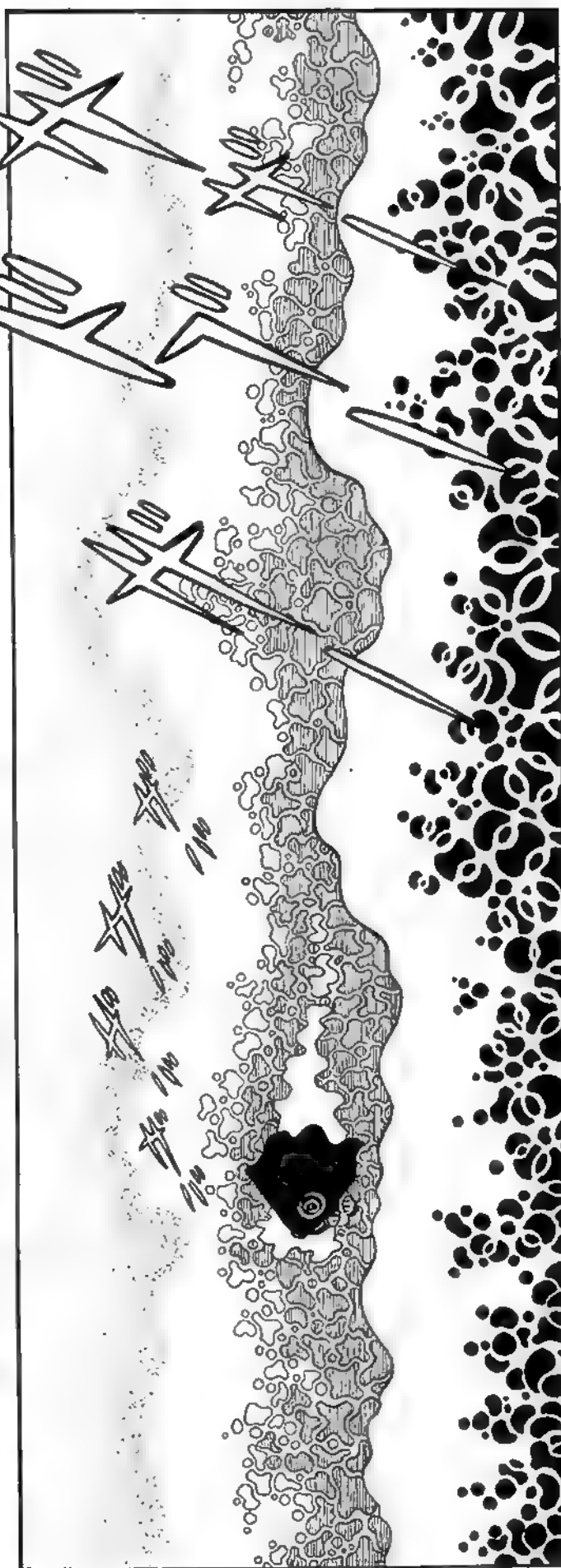


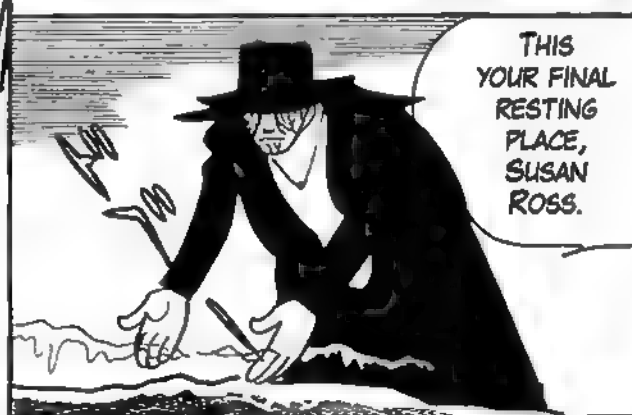








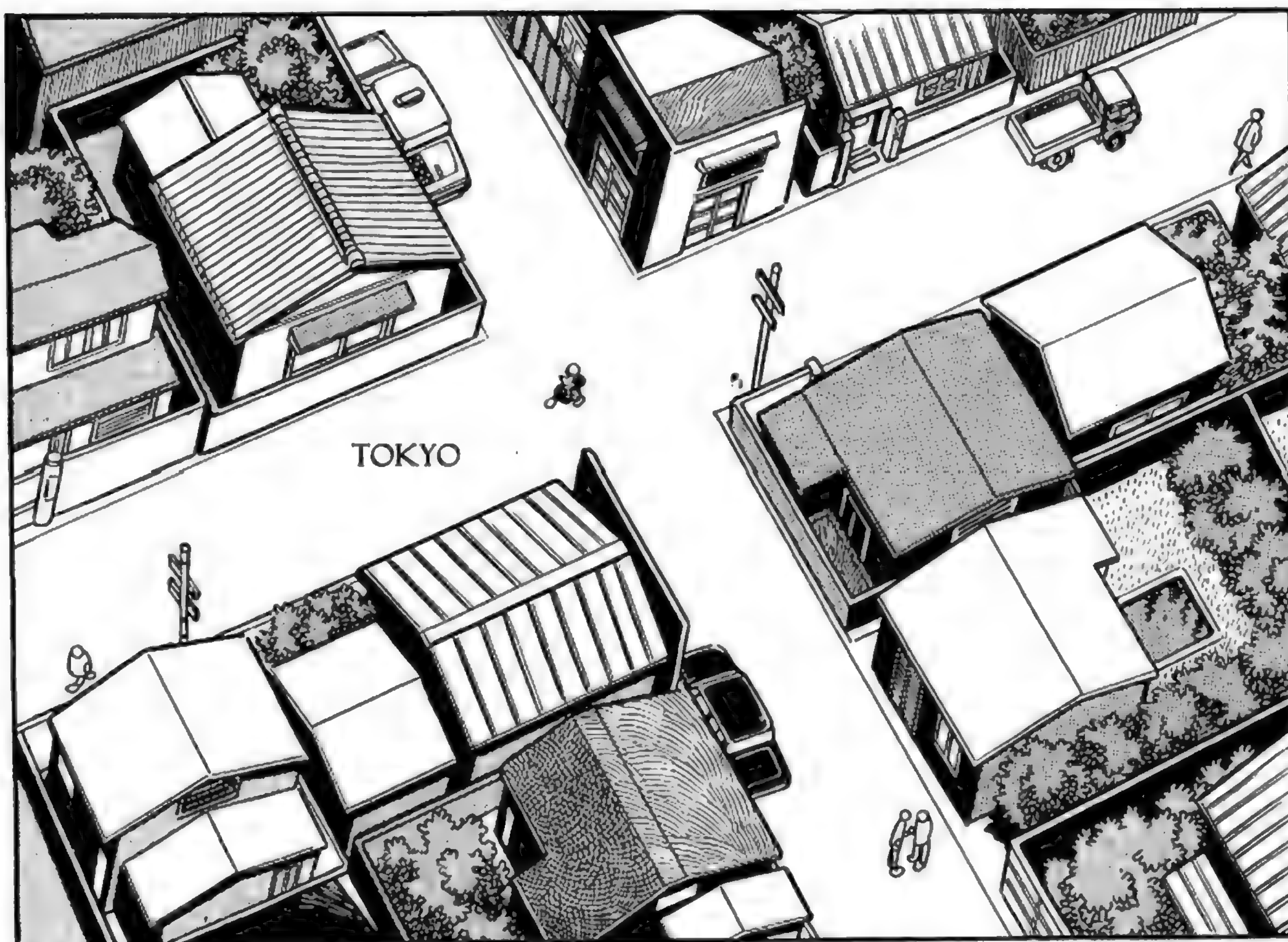




# **Chapter 2**

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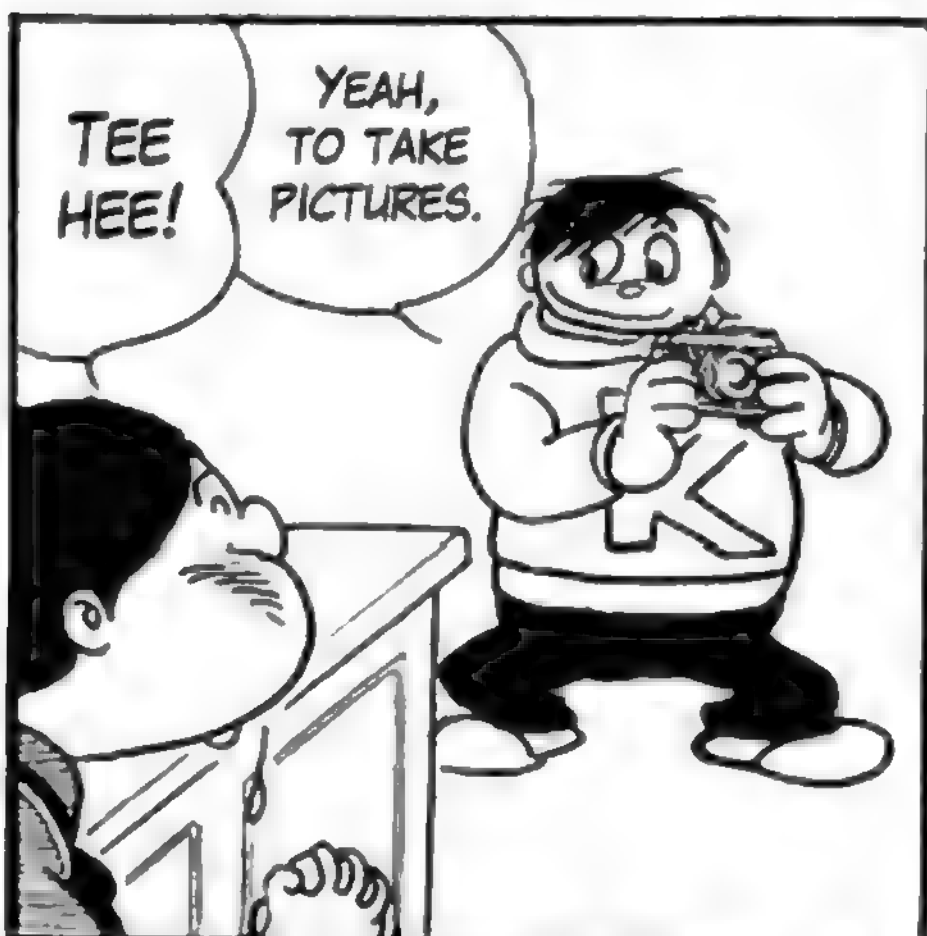
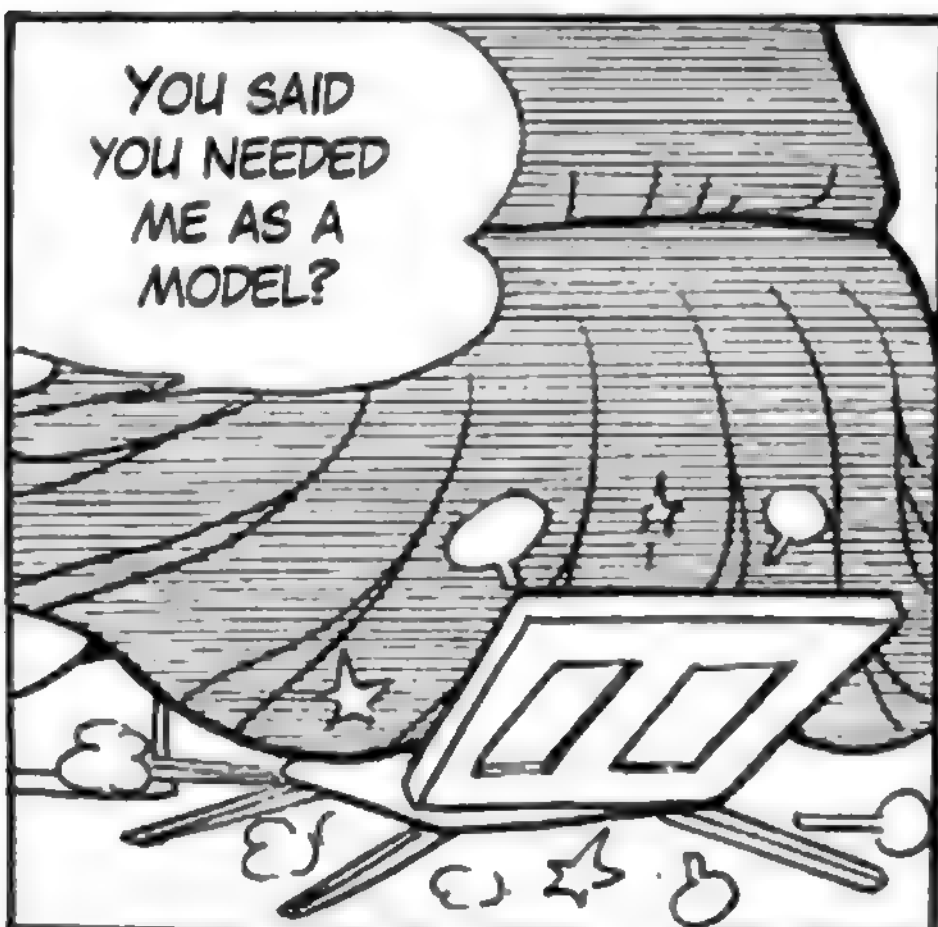




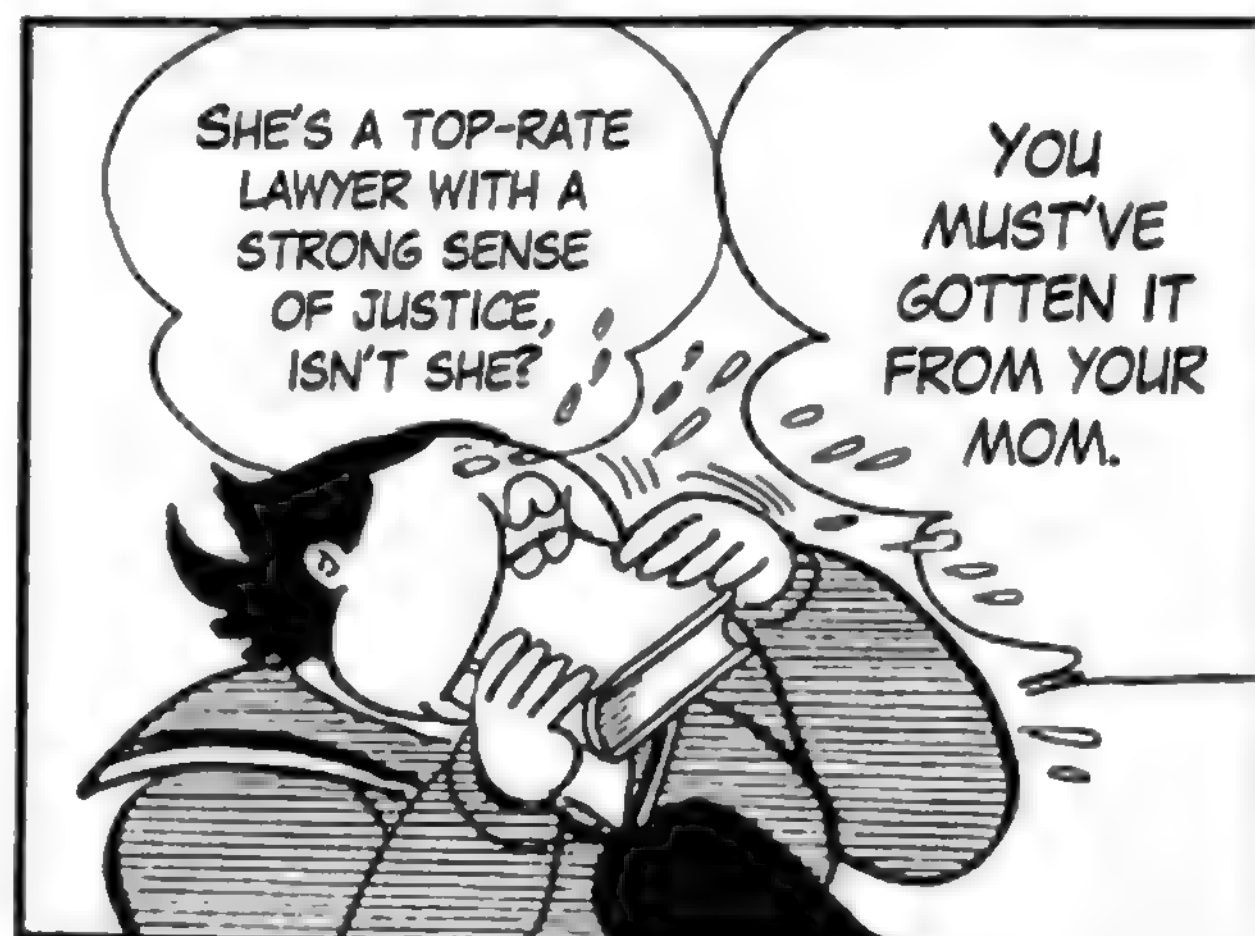










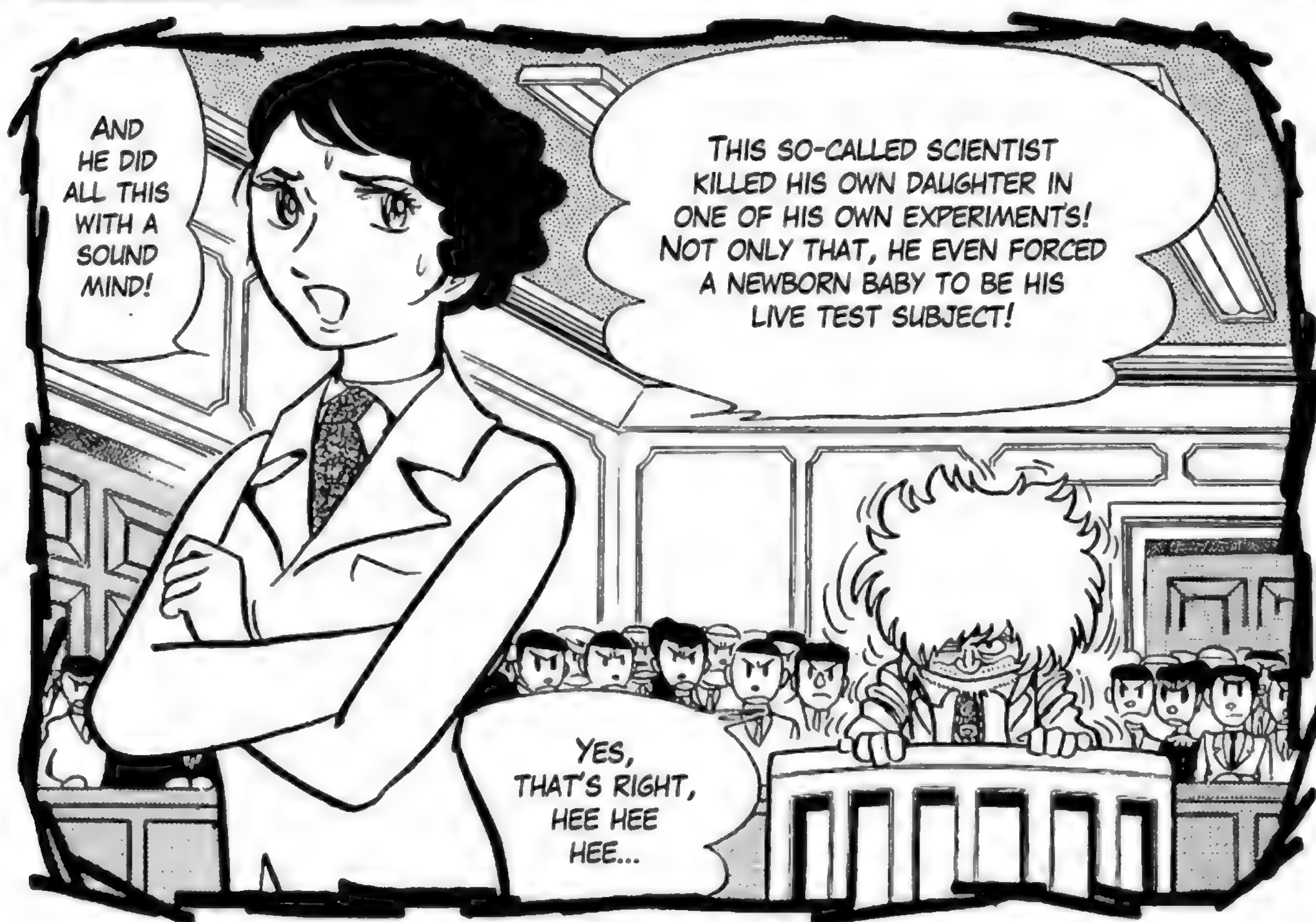


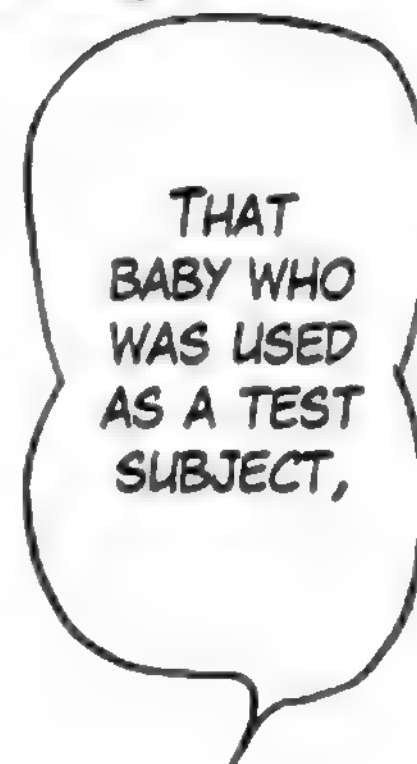
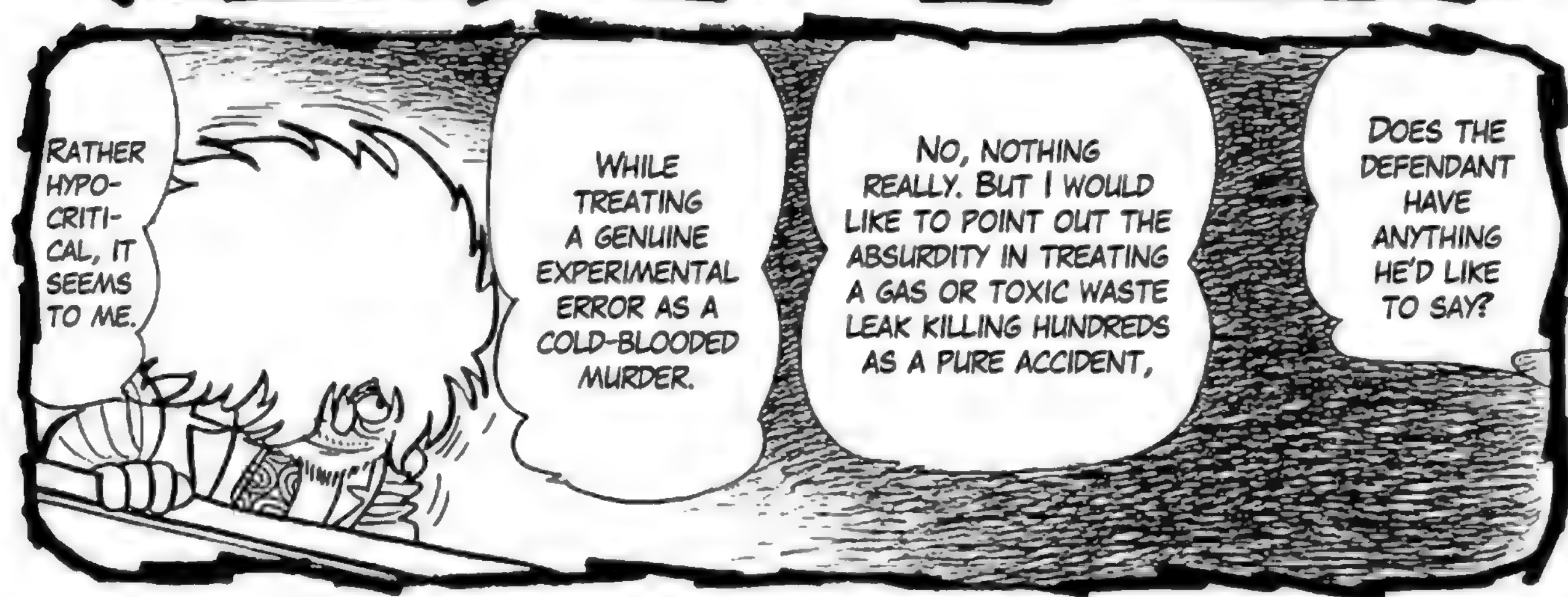




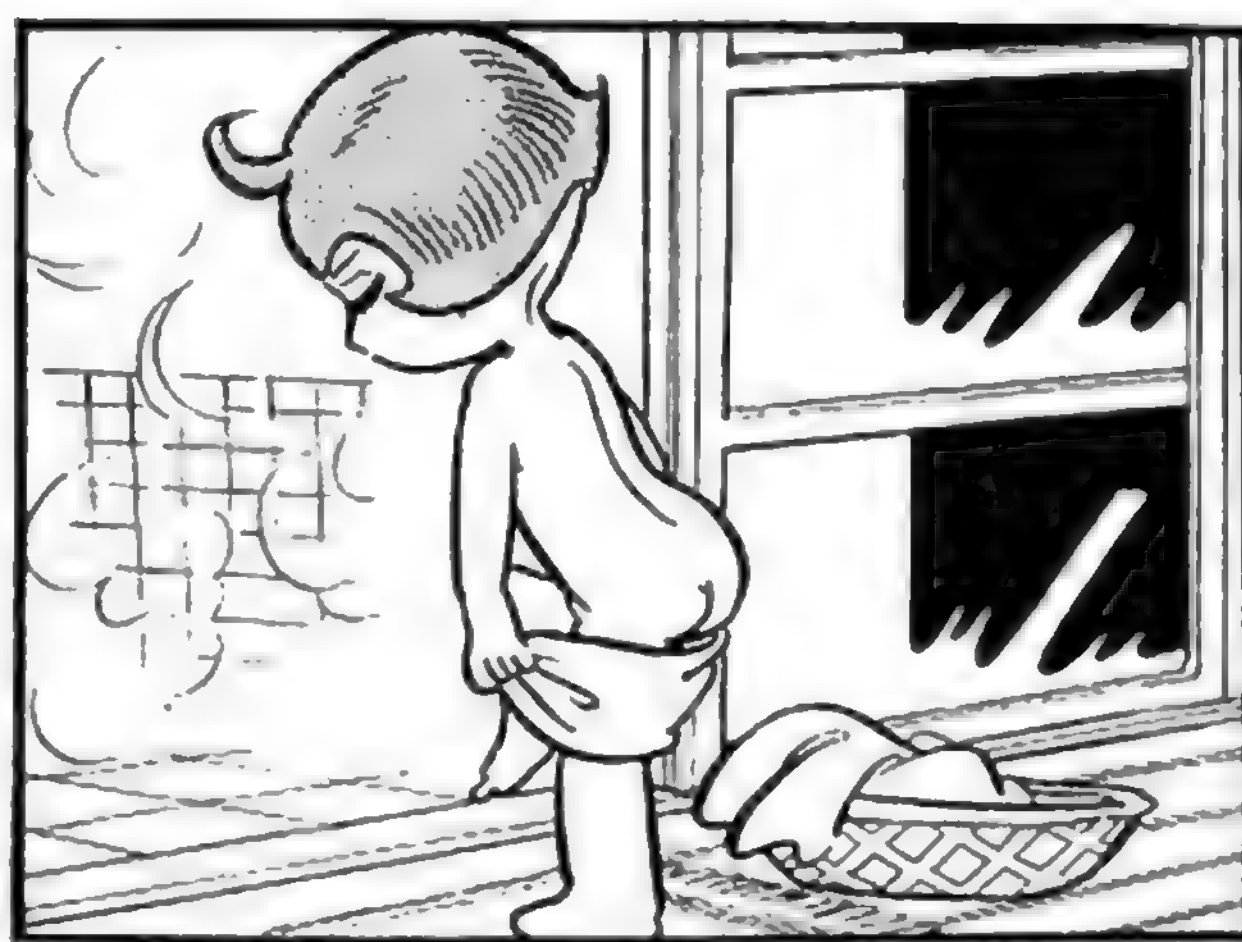


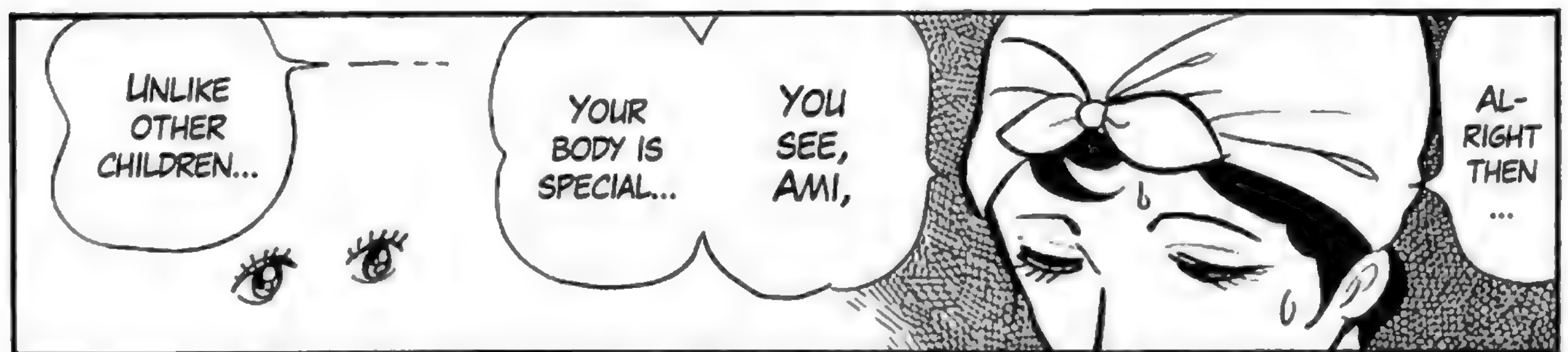








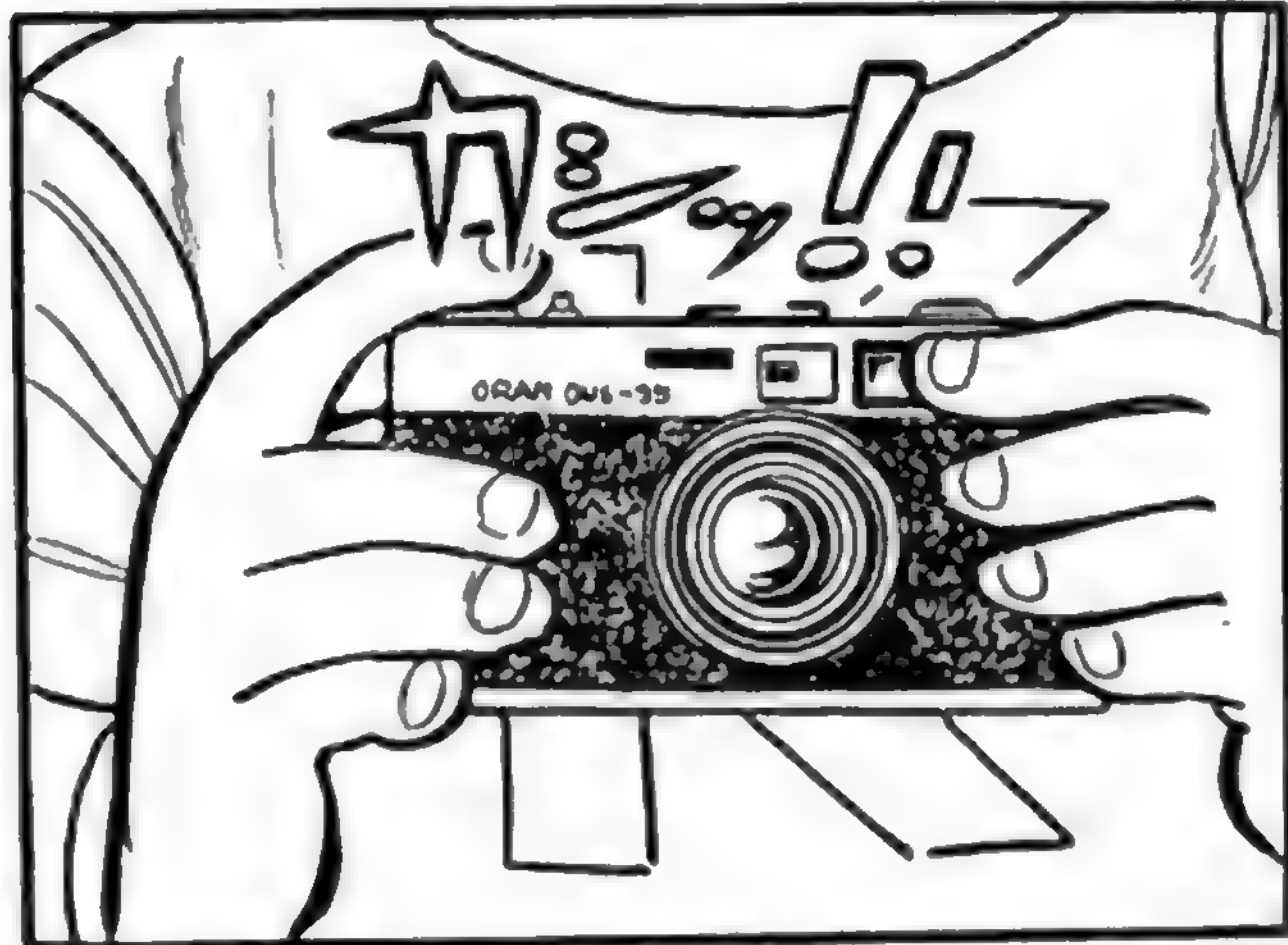
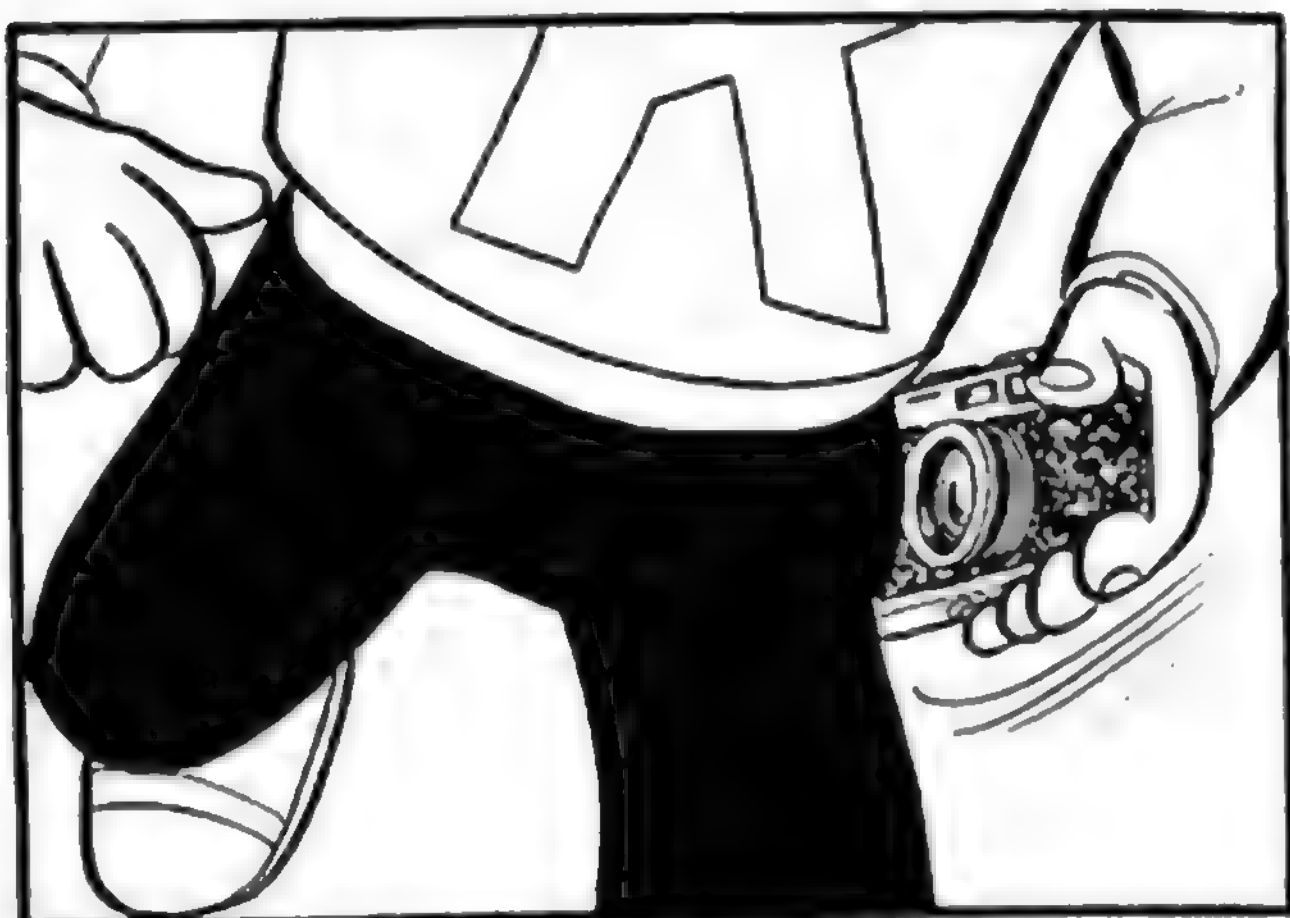
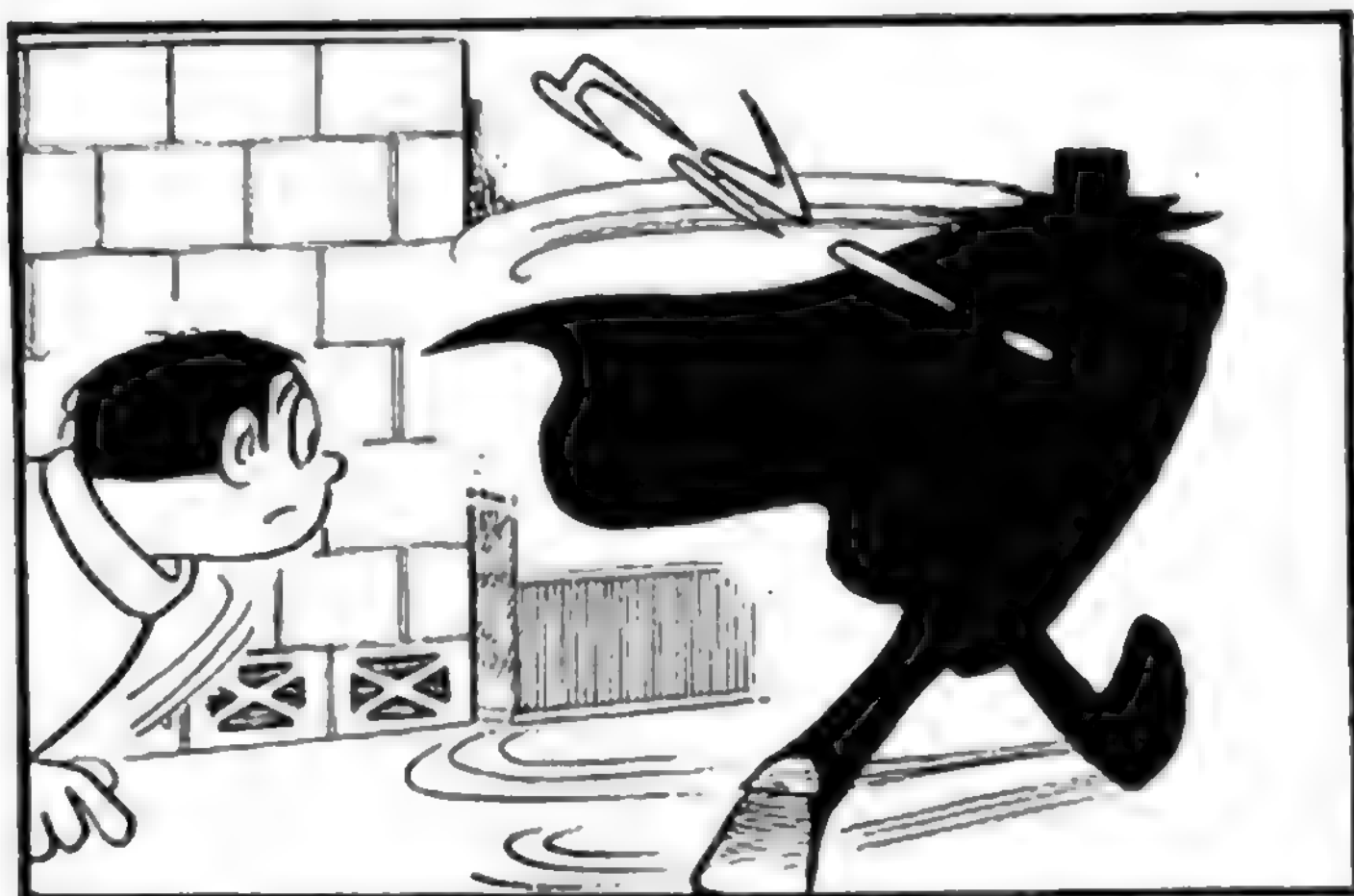


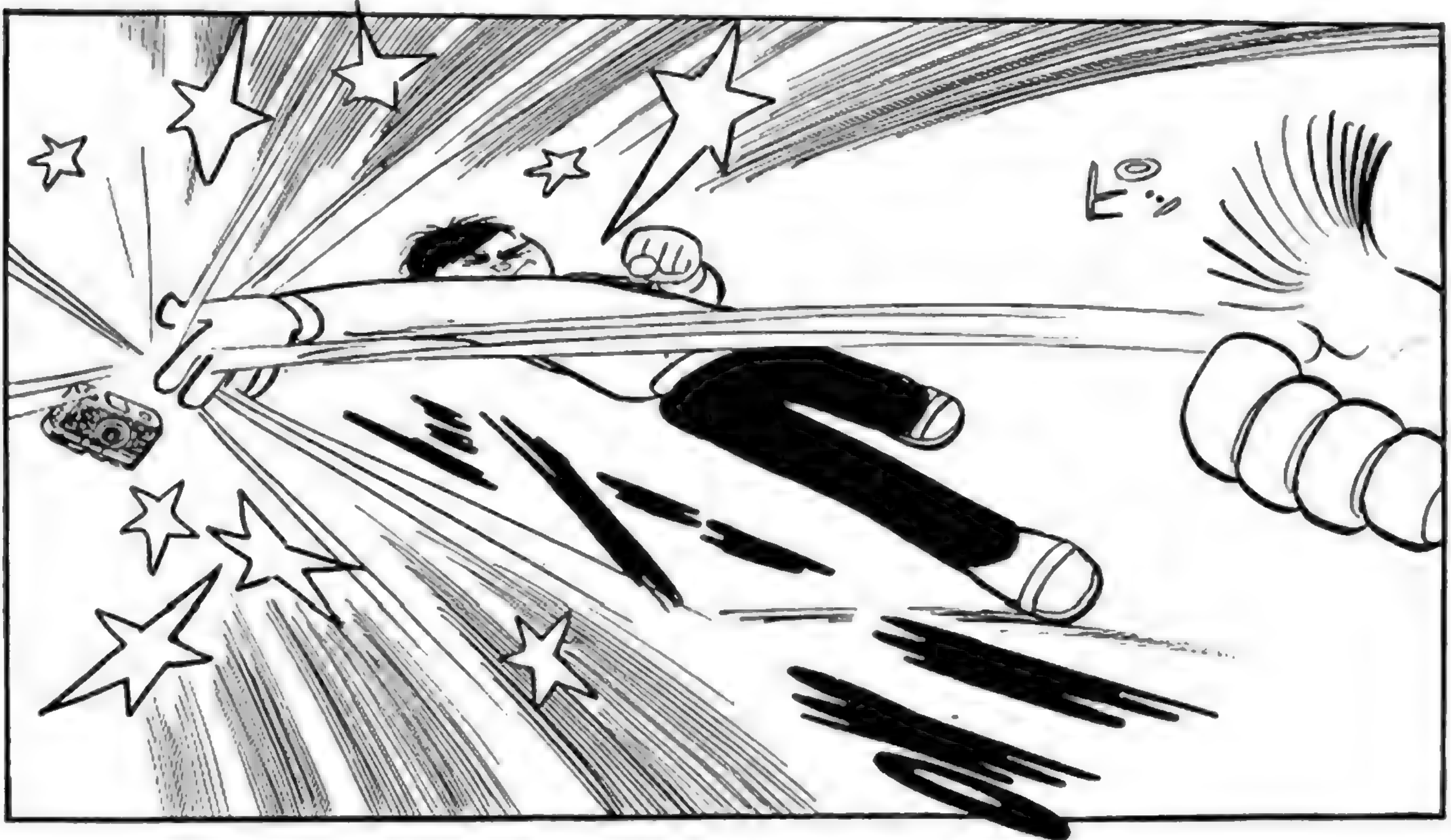




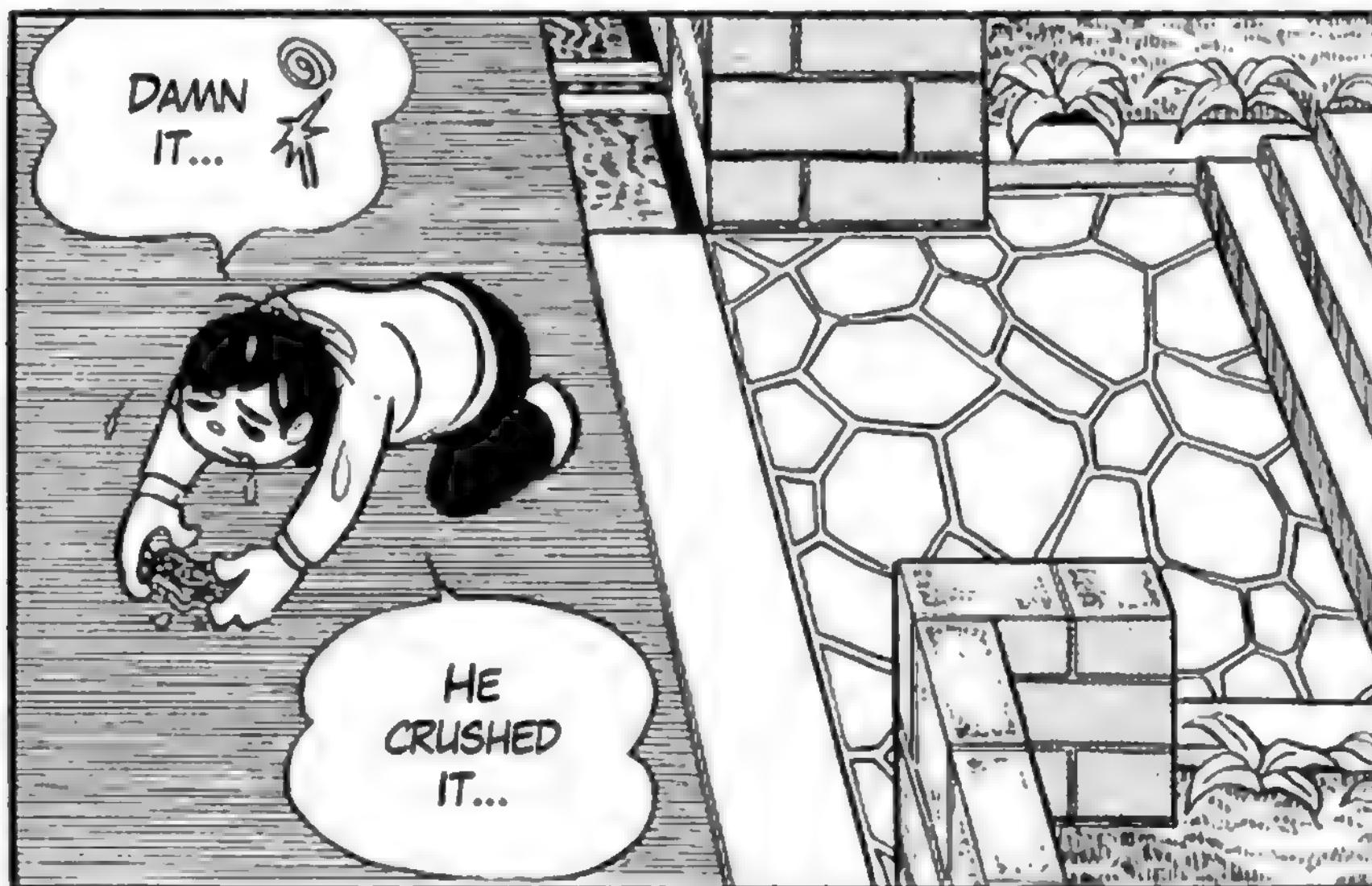
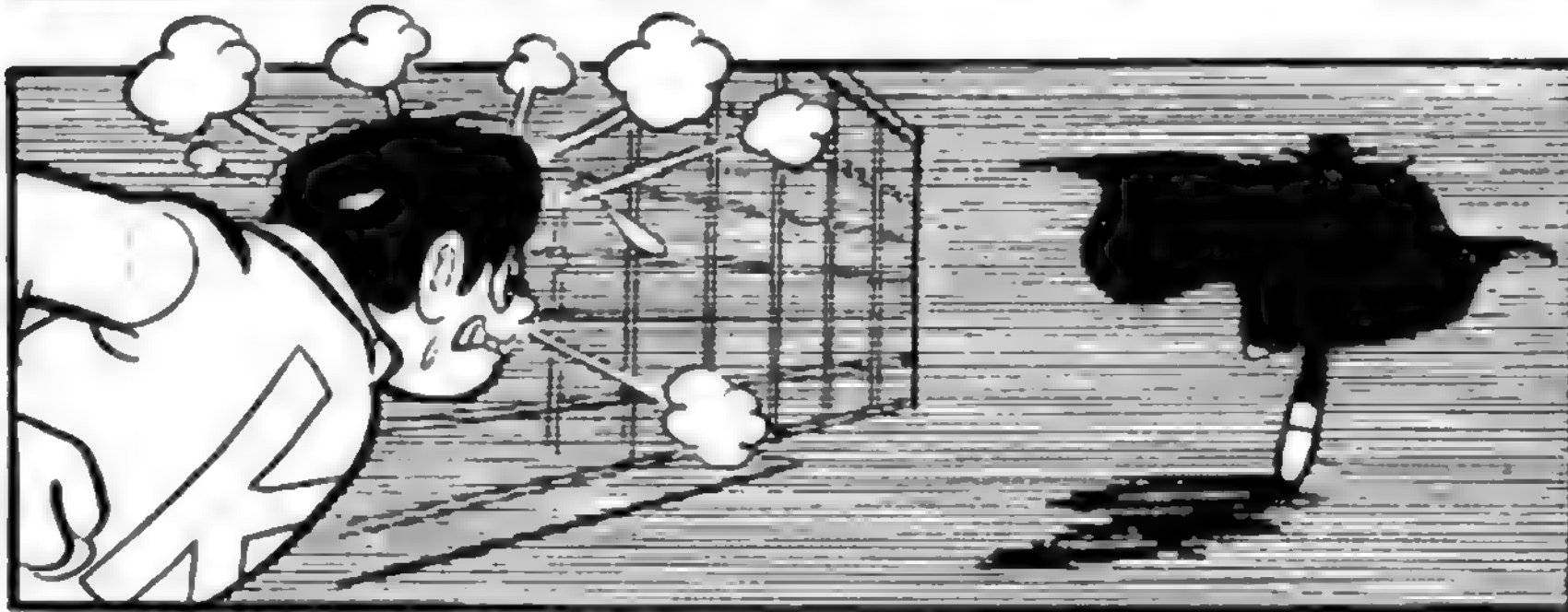


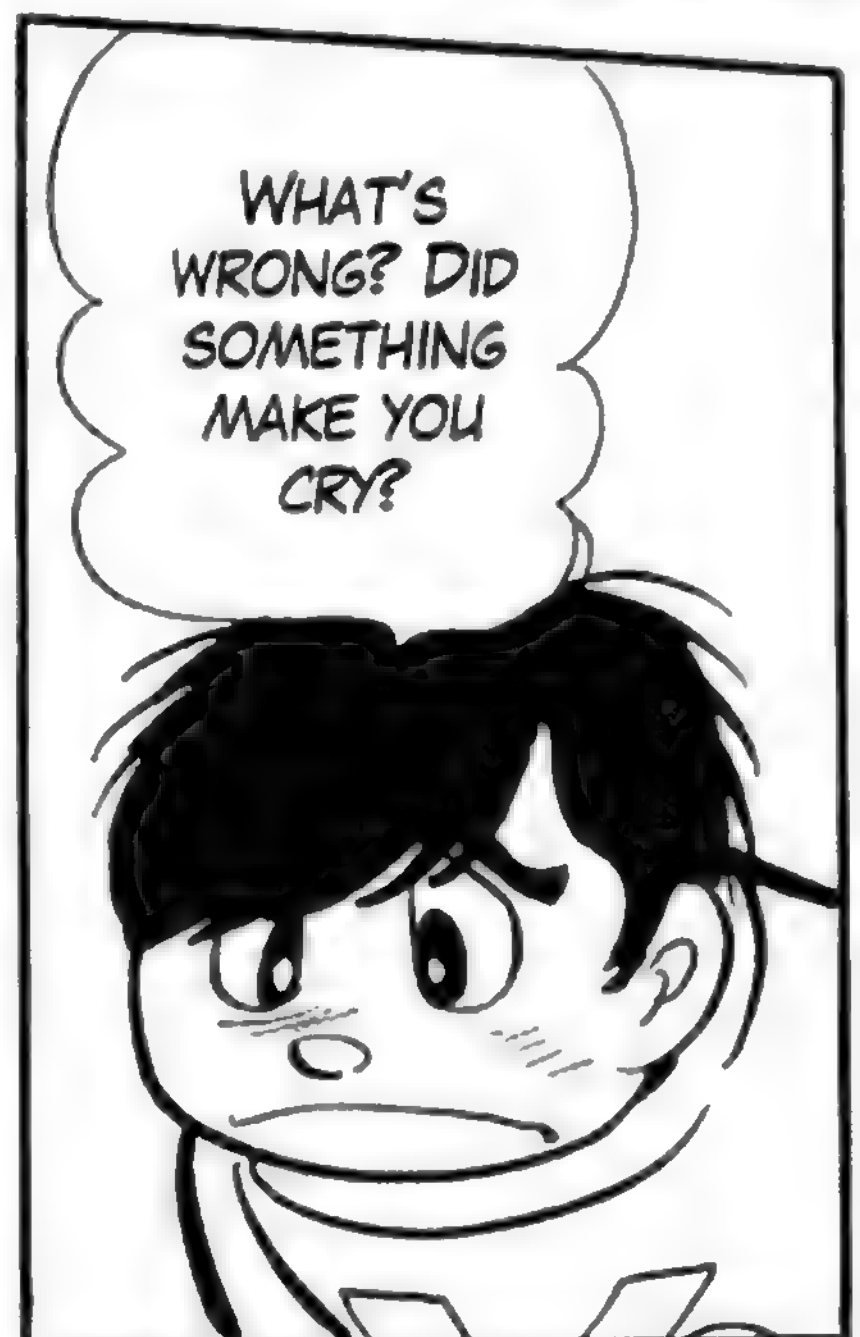
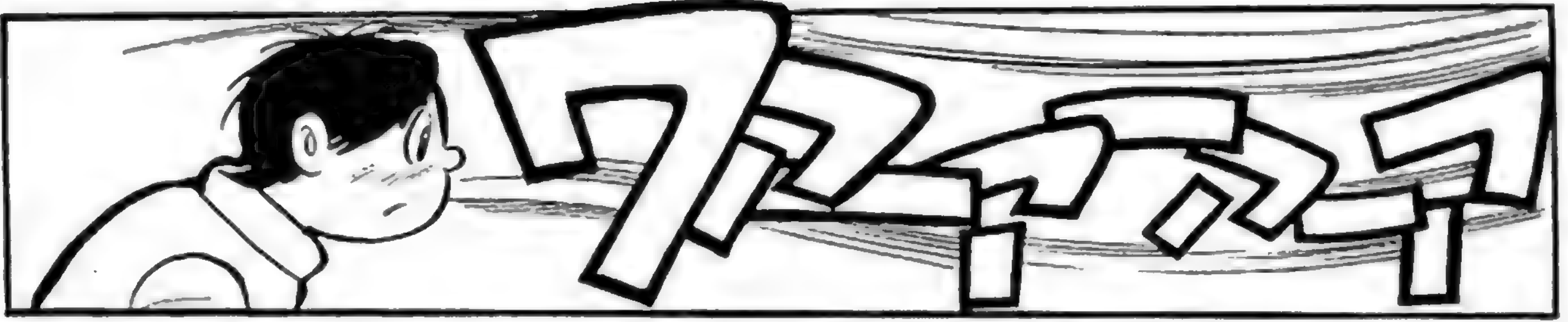








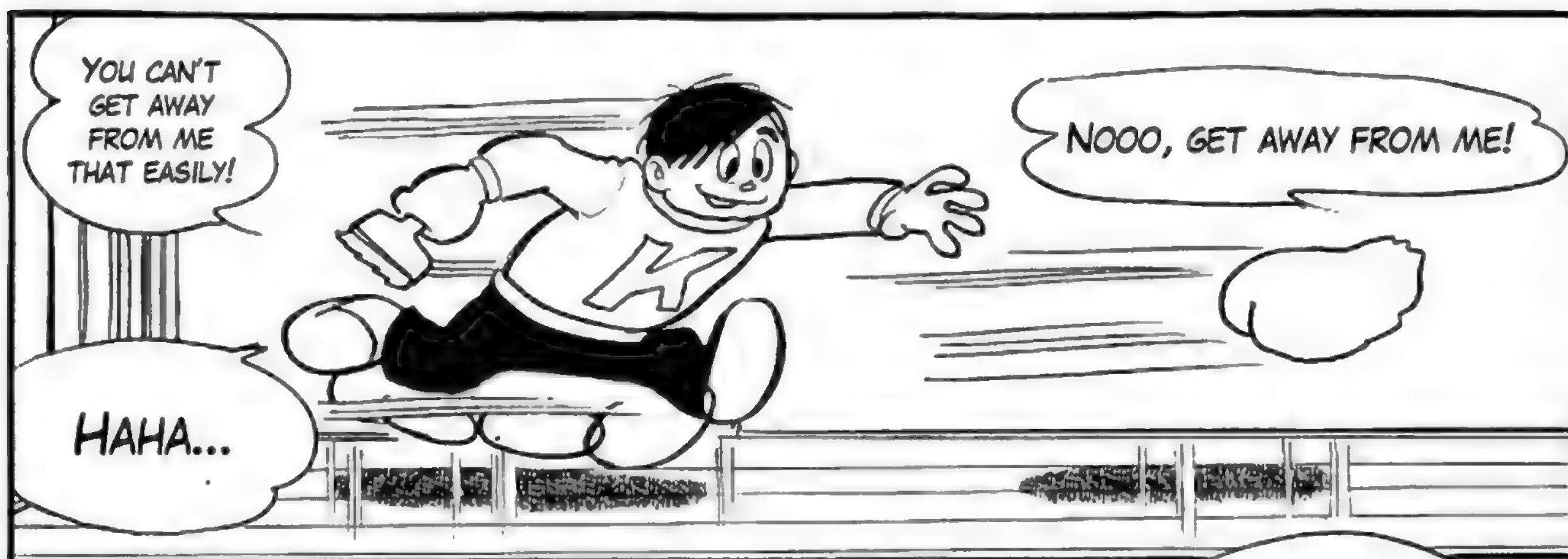








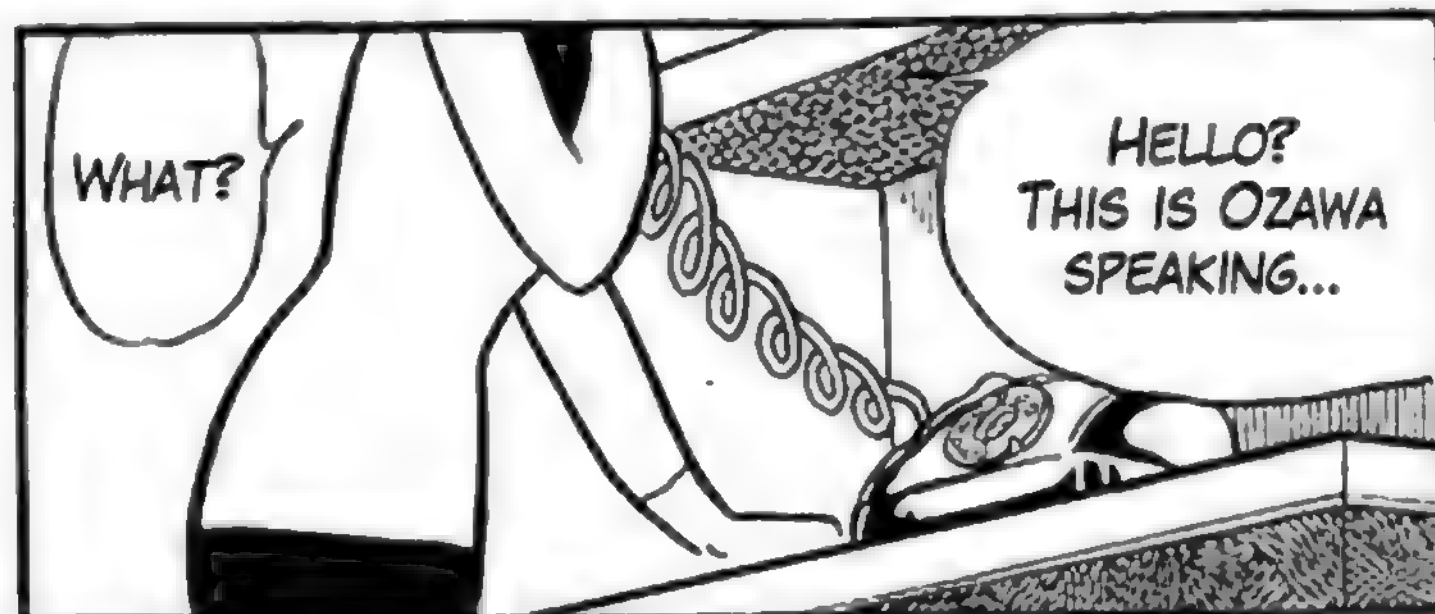
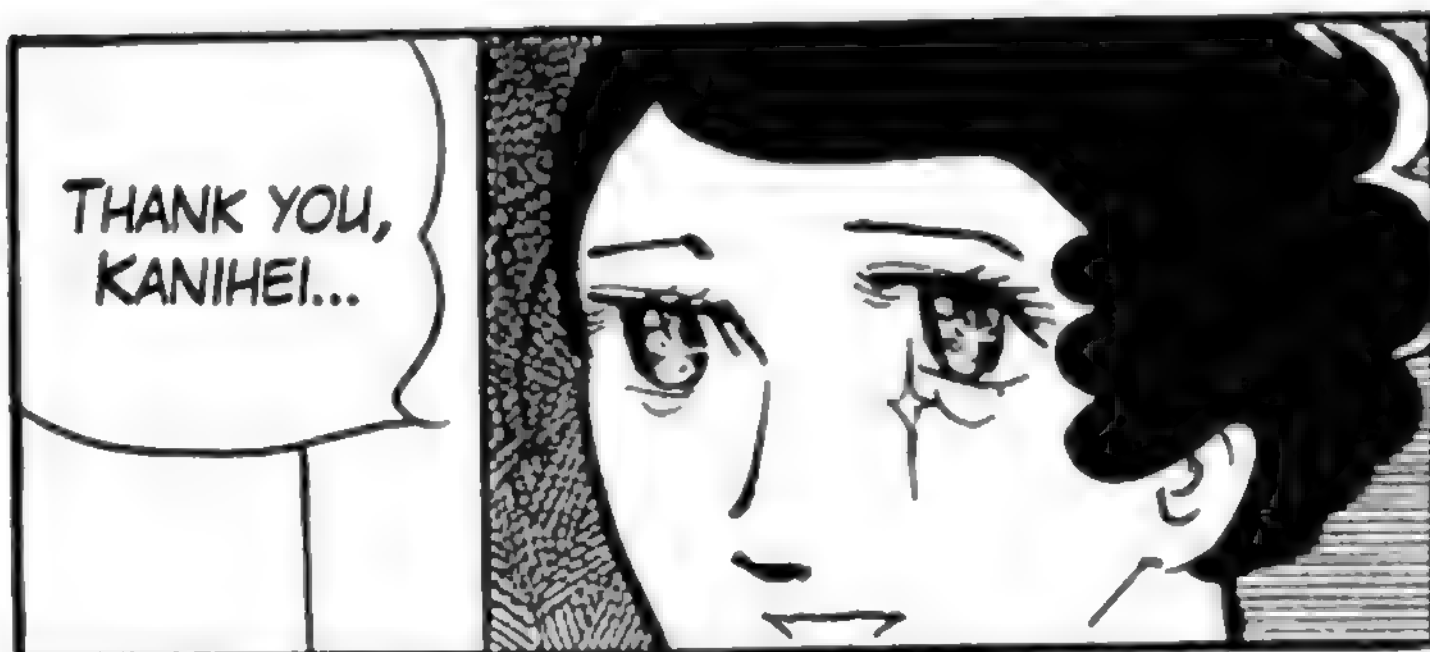
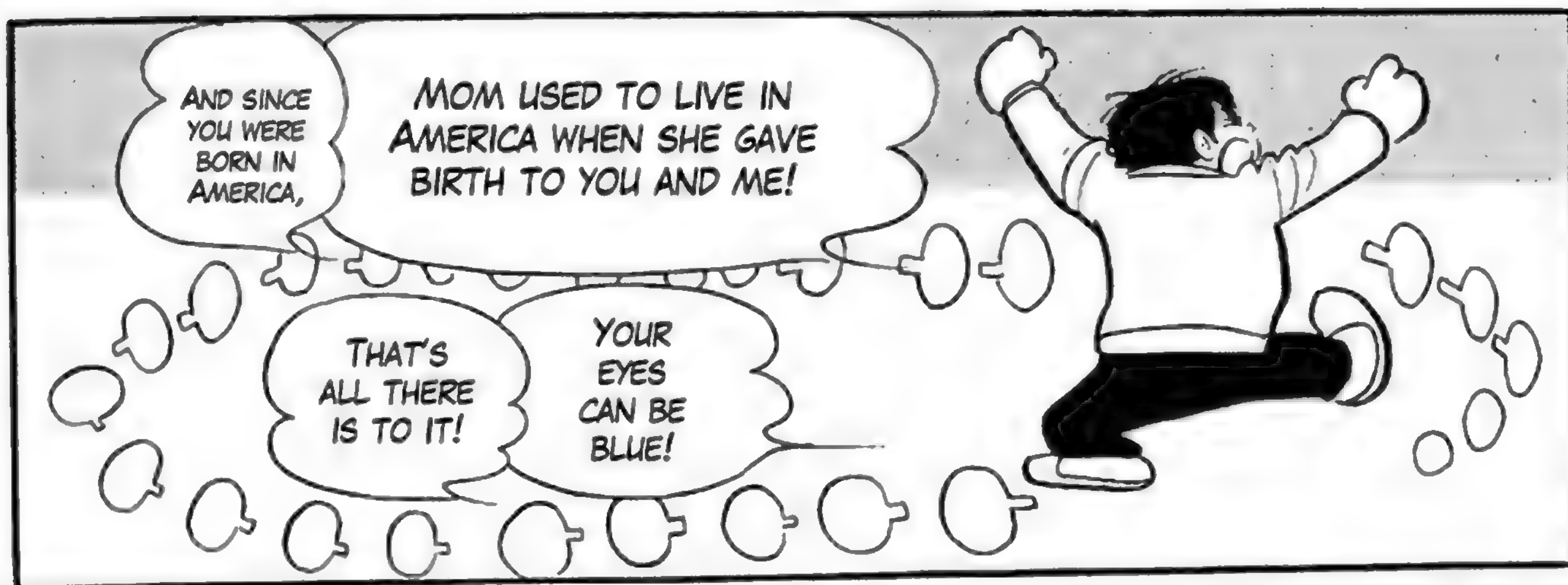














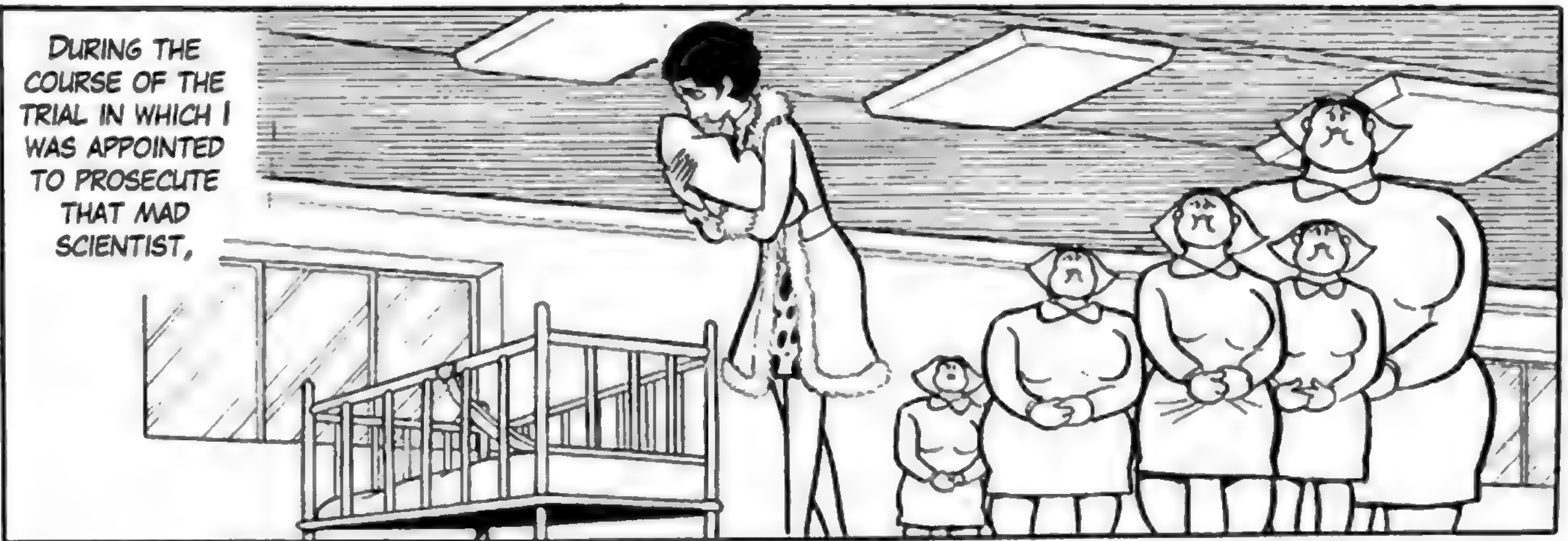








DURING THE COURSE OF THE TRIAL IN WHICH I WAS APPOINTED TO PROSECUTE THAT MAD SCIENTIST,



BY THE TIME A YEAR HAD PASSED, I COULD ONLY MAKE OUT HER SKELETON. ONE DAY, THE IDEA OF PAINTING HER WITH HARMLESS PIGMENTS CAME TO ME AND WHEN I TRIED IT... THE CUTEST LITTLE CHILD I HAD EVER SEEN WAS CRAWLING IN FRONT OF ME.



AS TIME PASSED ON, EVEN HER BLOOD VESSELS TURNED INVISIBLE AND I COULD ONLY SEE HER ORGANS WHICH MADE HER LOOK LIKE A LUMP OF MEAT.

I ALSO ACCEPTED TO LOOK AFTER THAT CHILD TEMPORARILY.



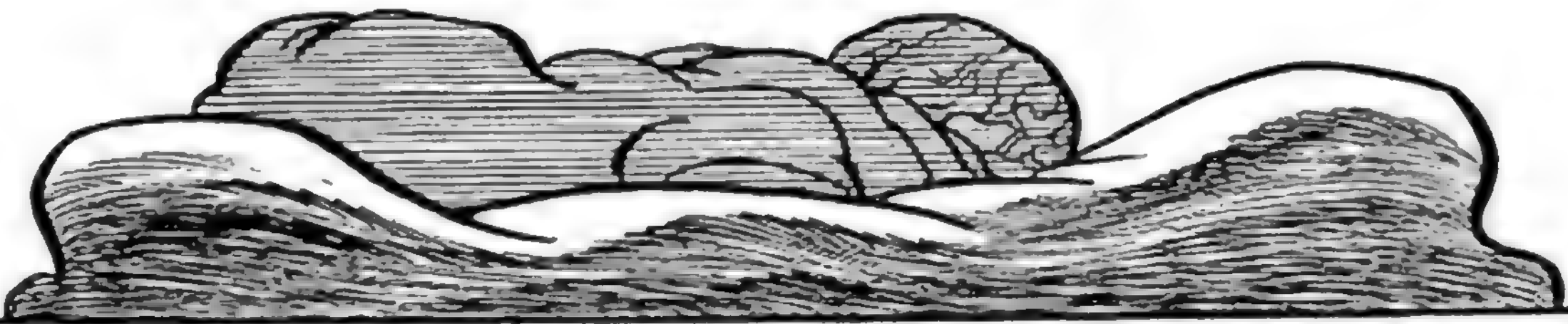




THEY HAD  
ALL TURNED  
SPEECHLESS AT  
THE SIGHT OF  
THE STILL LIVING  
BABY WHO HAD  
NO SKIN.

THE BABY HE CARRIED IN  
HIS ARMS AS THE POLICE  
TOOK HIM INTO CUSTODY  
TURNED THE FACES OF  
ALL ONLOOKERS BLUE.

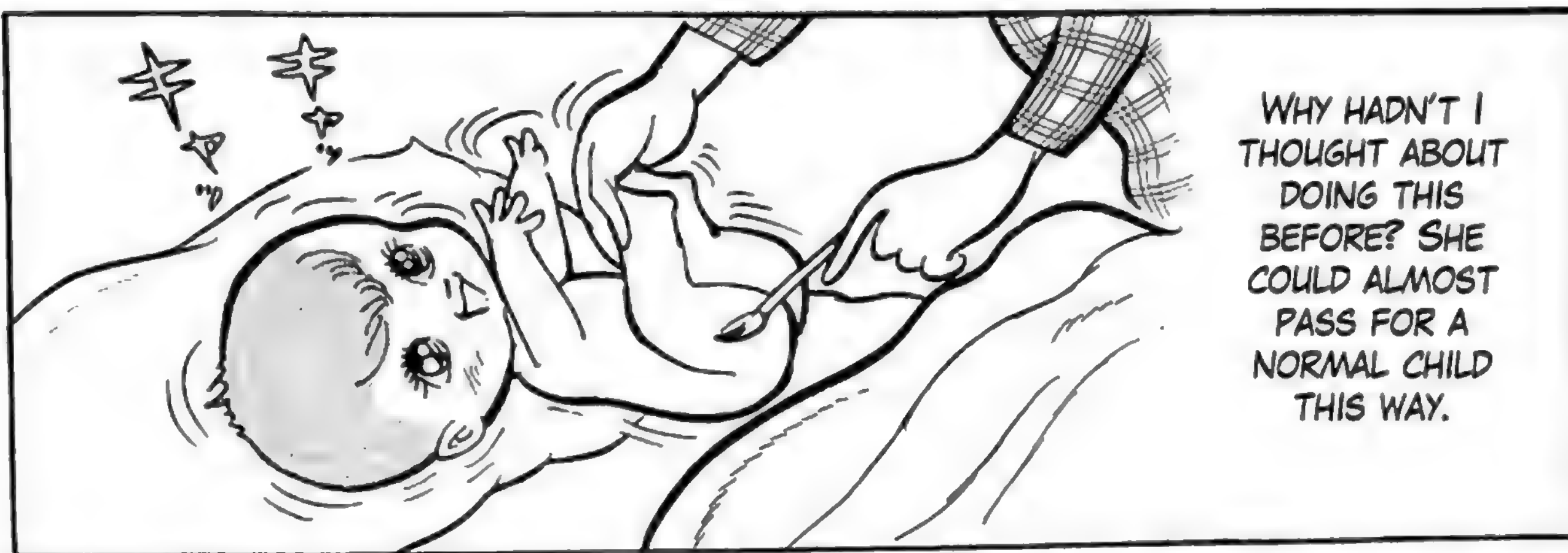
A SCIENTIST IN  
CLINTON, ILLINOIS,  
ARRESTED FOR THE  
MURDER OF HIS  
OWN DAUGHTER.



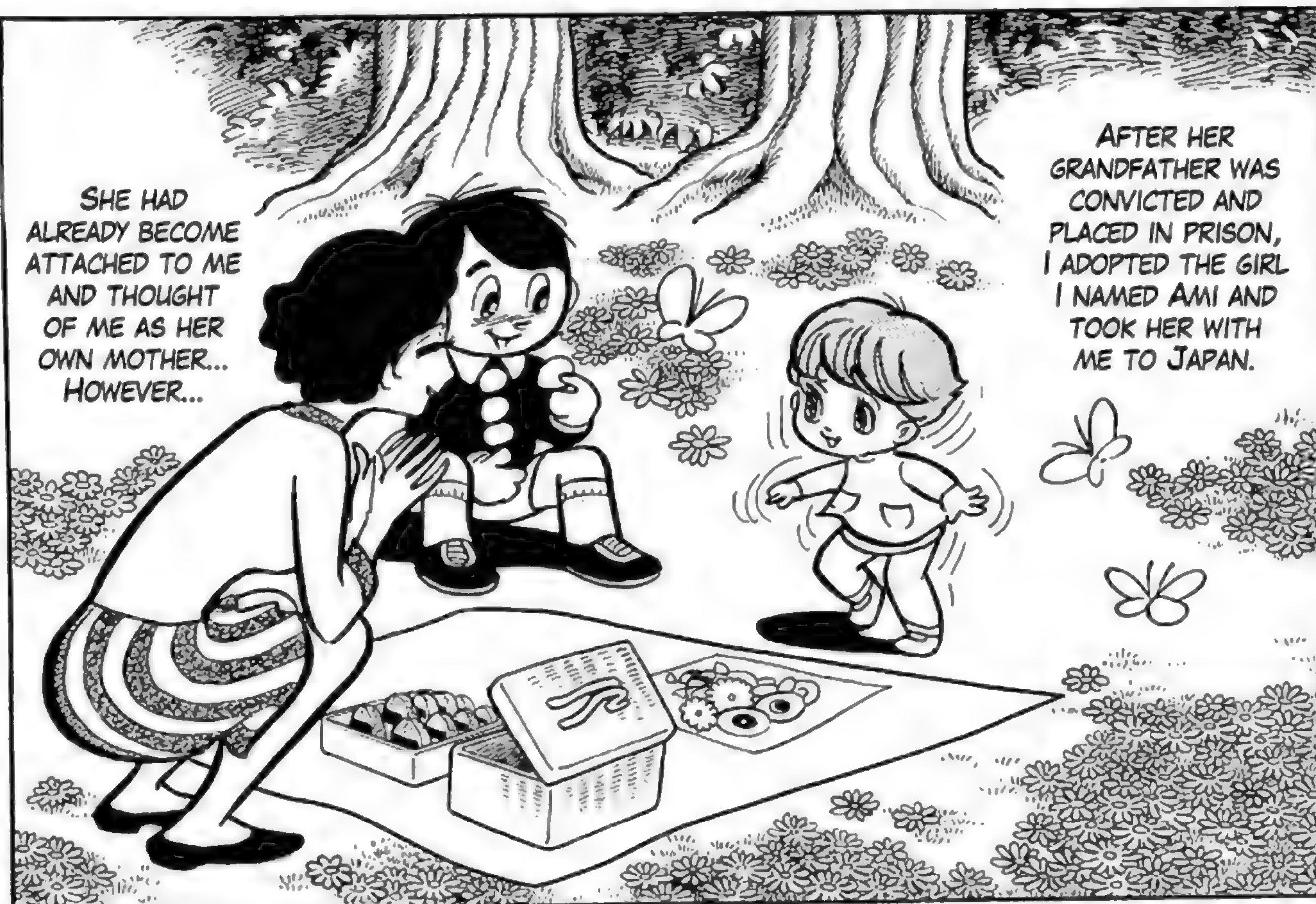
BUT WHY HAD IT  
TURNED INVISIBLE?  
WAS IT A SICKNESS  
OR SOMETHING  
ELSE?

AT  
THE HOSPITAL,  
THEY REALIZED  
THAT SHE  
DID IN FACT  
POSSESS SKIN  
BUT IT WAS  
INVISIBLE.





WHY HADN'T I  
THOUGHT ABOUT  
DOING THIS  
BEFORE? SHE  
COULD ALMOST  
PASS FOR A  
NORMAL CHILD  
THIS WAY.



SHE HAD  
ALREADY BECOME  
ATTACHED TO ME  
AND THOUGHT  
OF ME AS HER  
OWN MOTHER...  
HOWEVER...

AFTER HER  
GRANDFATHER WAS  
CONVICTED AND  
PLACED IN PRISON,  
I ADOPTED THE GIRL  
I NAMED AMI AND  
TOOK HER WITH  
ME TO JAPAN.



GO AWAY,  
CLOWN!



THE OTHER  
CHILDREN  
WERE KEEN  
TO NOTICE  
AMI'S  
PECULIAR  
LOOKS.

THOUGH THE DAY WILL  
COME WHEN AMI WILL LEARN  
HER CRUEL FATE, I'M NOT ABOUT  
TO MAKE IT WORSE BY HANDING  
HER OVER TO SOME STRANGER.



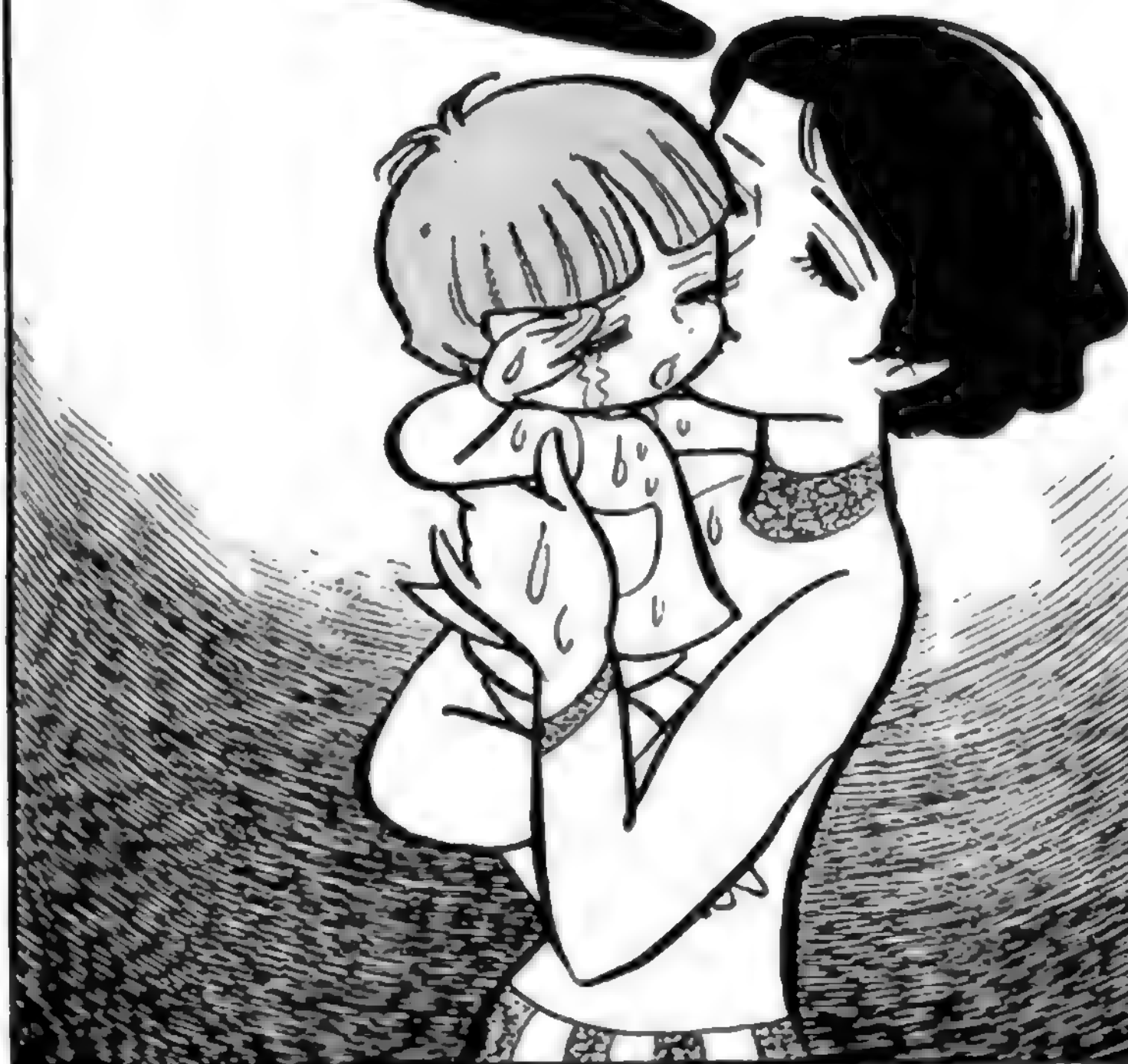
BUT CAN  
YOU EVEN  
UNDER-  
STAND A  
FRACTION  
OF THE  
PAIN SHE'S  
SUFFERED?

I MAY NOT  
KNOW WHO  
YOU ARE,

DAY BY DAY, THE  
OTHER CHILDREN'S  
TAUNTS AND JEERS  
LEFT POOR AMI  
CRYING. HOW HARD IT  
MUST BE FOR HER...  
THE ONLY THING I  
COULD DO WAS TO  
GIVE HER MY FULL  
LOVE AND TREAT  
HER LIKE MY OWN  
DAUGHTER.



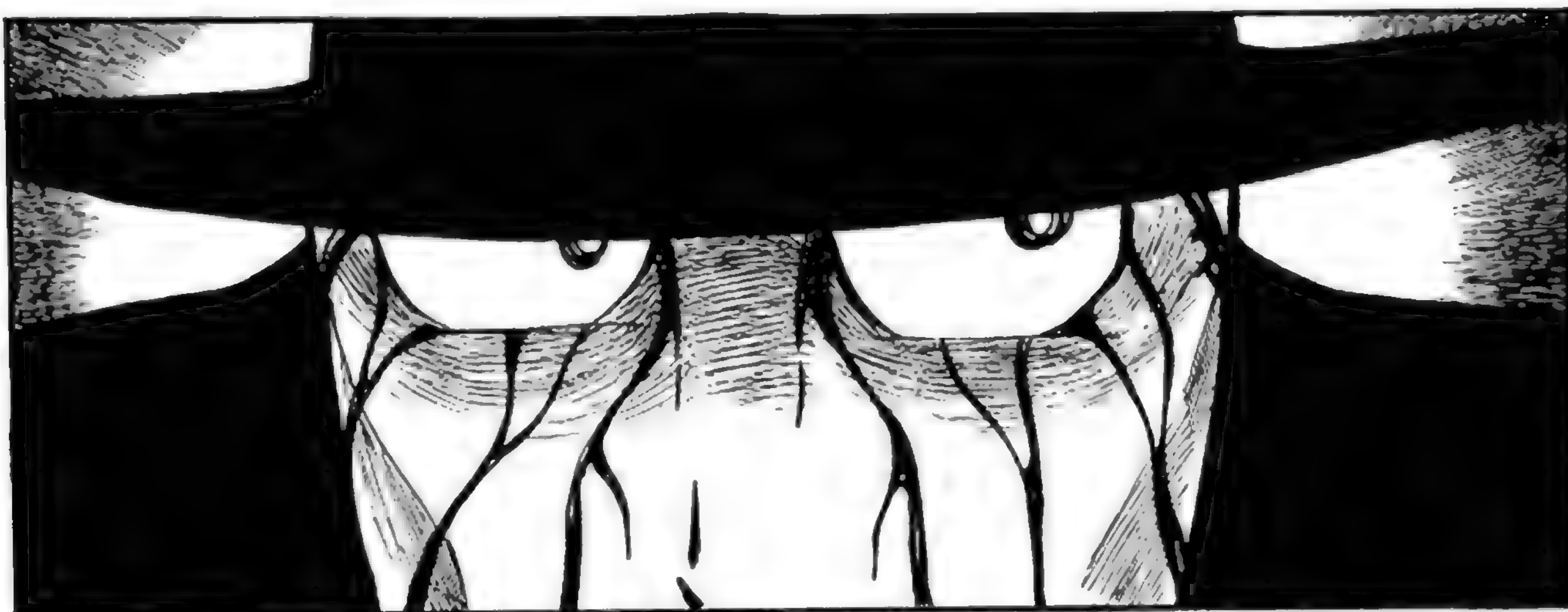
OH I UN-  
DERSTAND  
ALRIGHT...



'CAUSE I'M SUFFERING  
THROUGH THE EXACT  
SAME PAIN SHE IS...



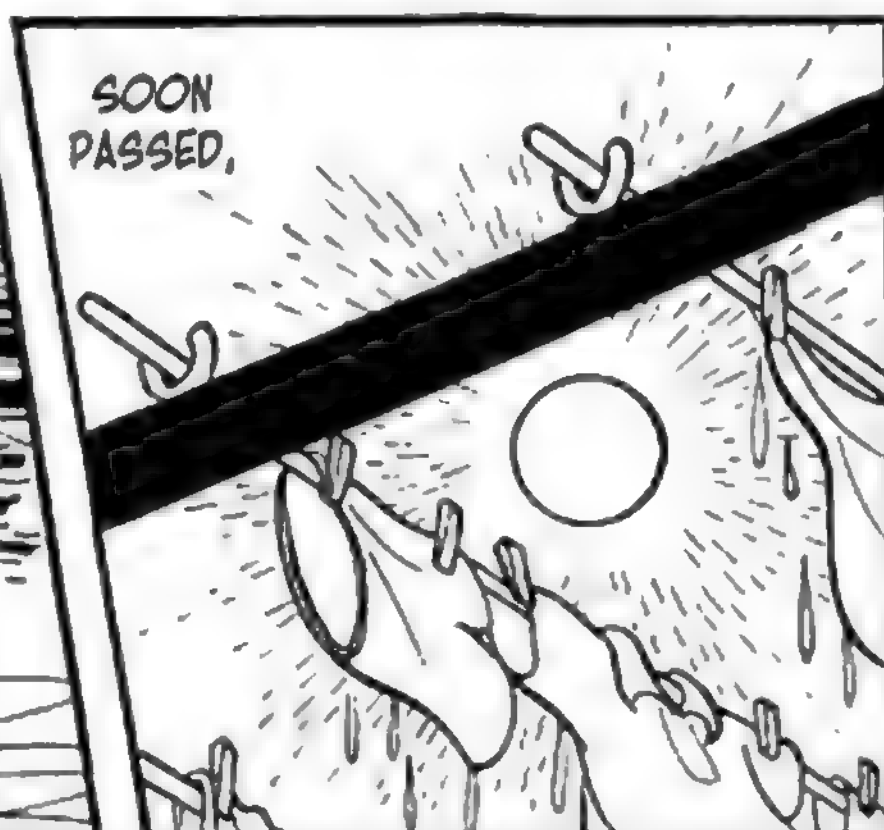
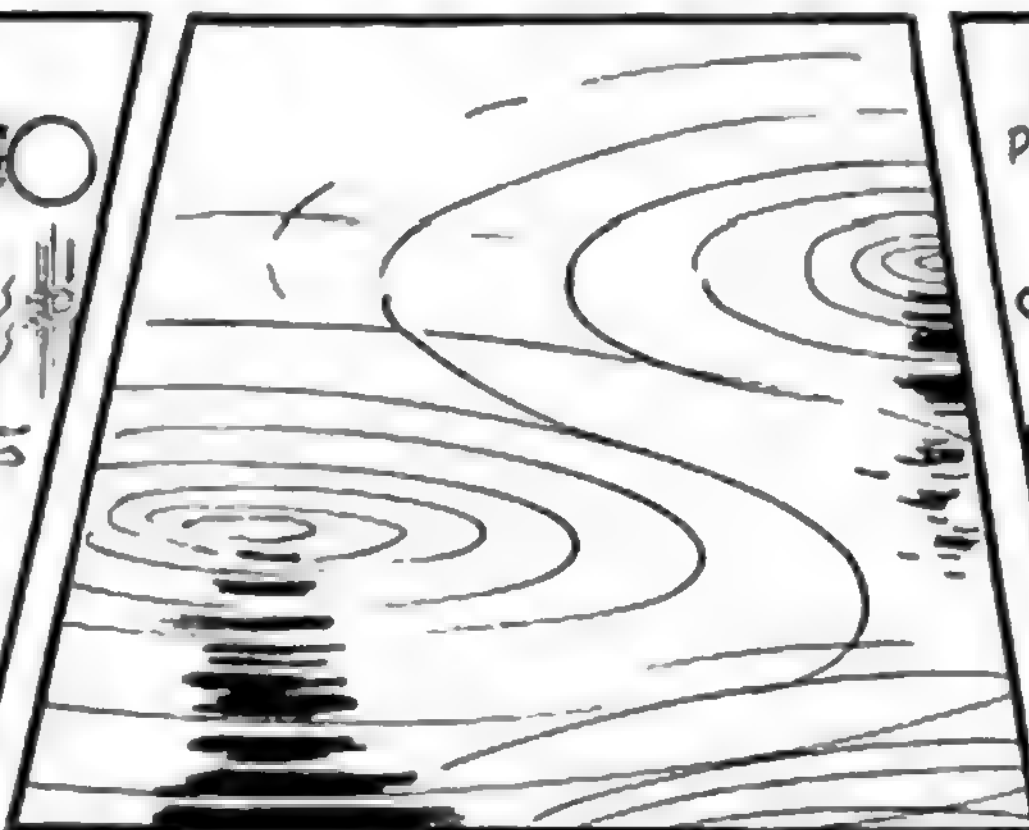
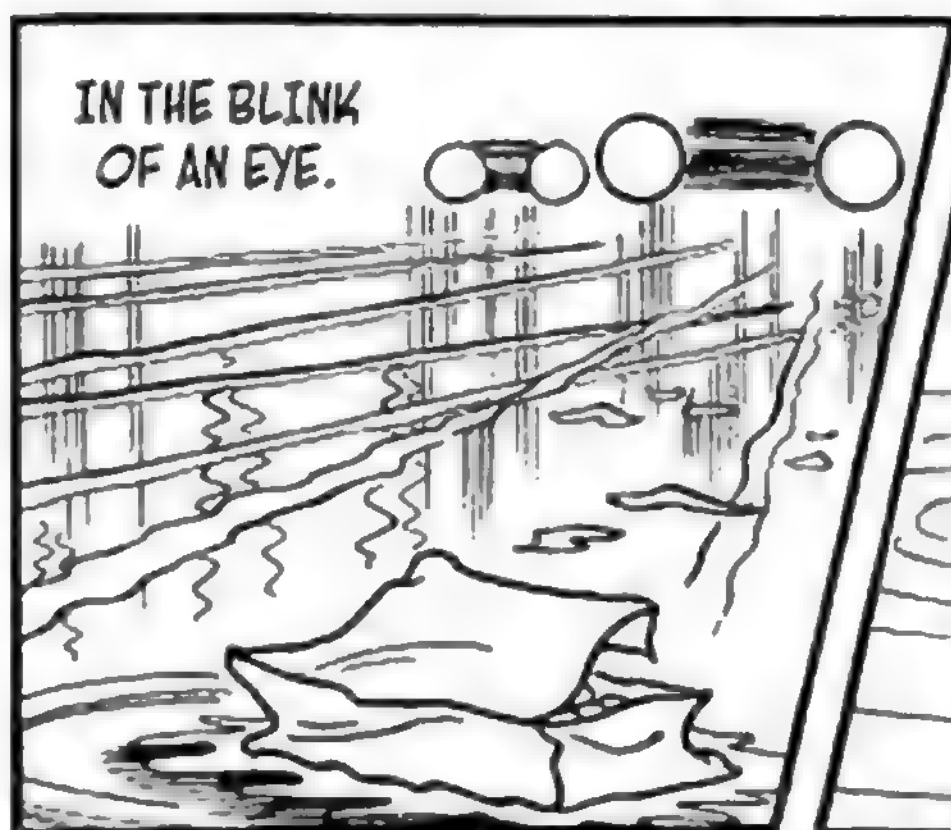




# **Chapter 3**

## **Gen the**


### **Delinquent**







**STOP IT!**



WHITE FROM  
HEAD TO TOES AND  
INSIDE THE NOSE~  
YOU CAN SMELL  
HER FROM A KILO-  
METRE AWAY~  
SHE'S THE PRODUCT  
OF A MILLION  
YEN'S WORTH  
OF MAKEUP!



**AHH!**

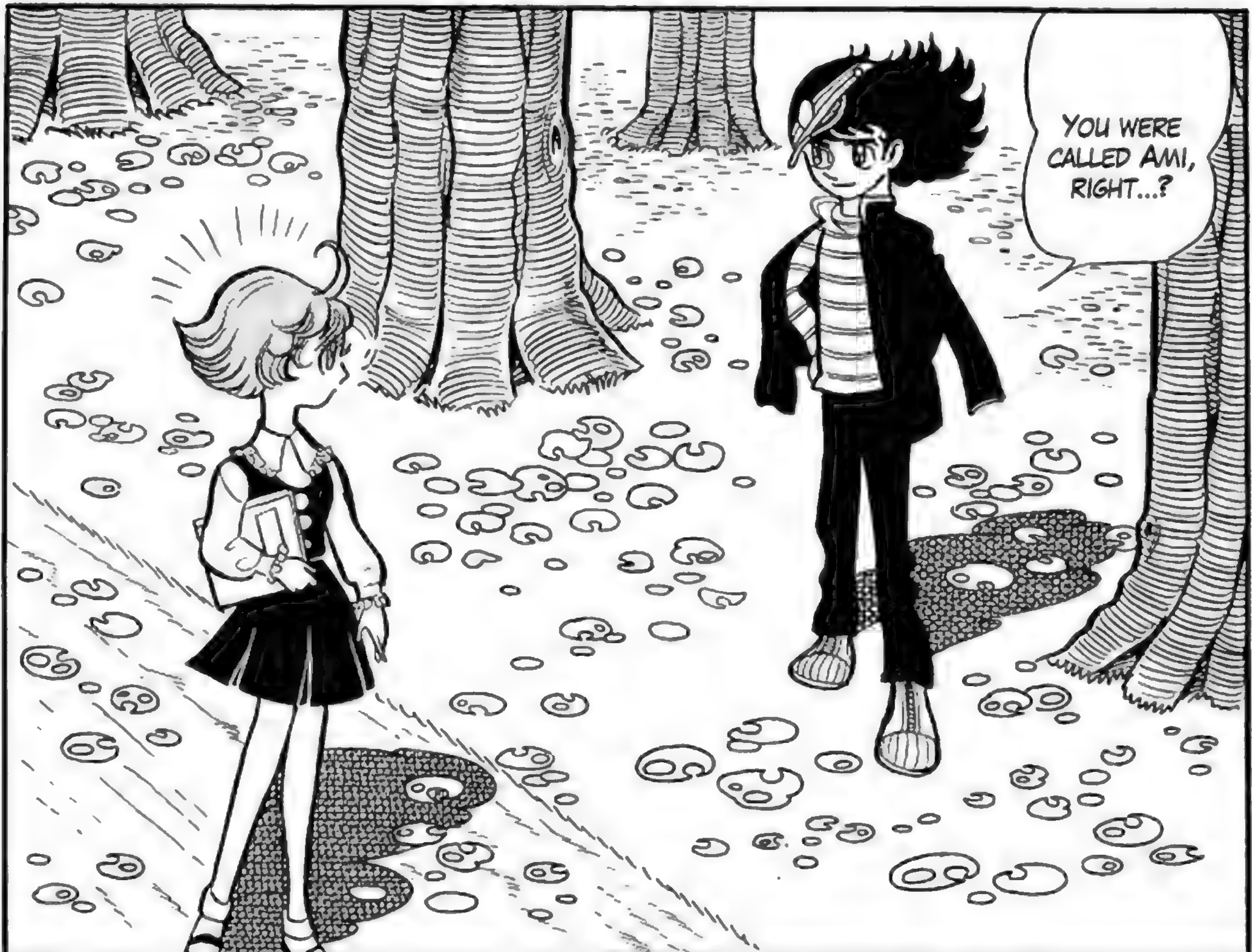
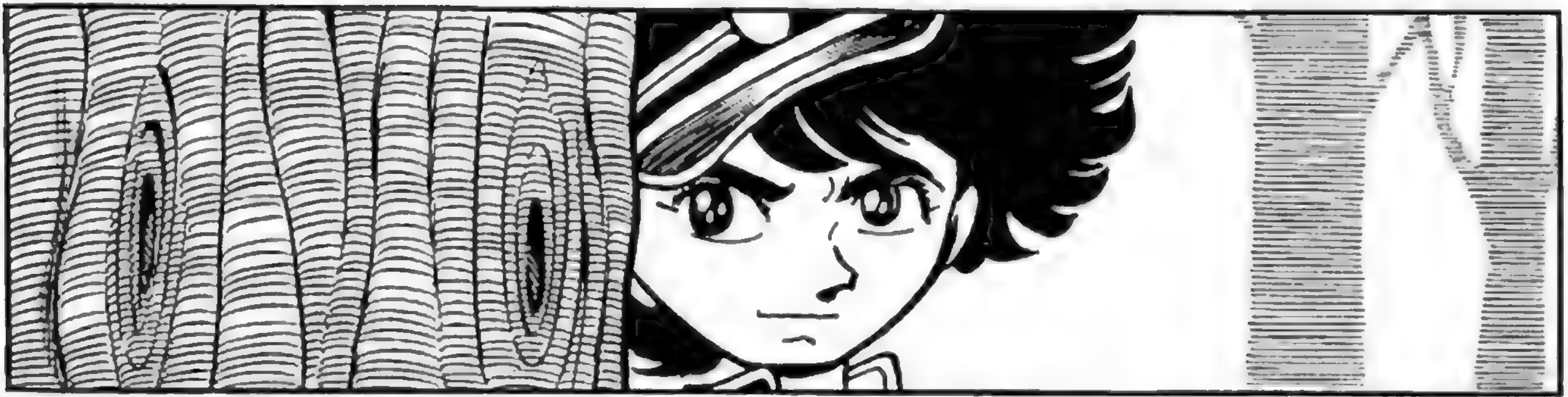


IN THE  
MEANWHILE,  
AMI ENTERED  
ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL UNDER  
THE WORRIED  
EYES OF HER  
MOTHER AND  
BROTHER. SHE  
WAS NOW IN  
THE 4TH GRADE  
BUT STILL  
CONTINUED TO  
BE BULLIED  
BY HER PEERS.





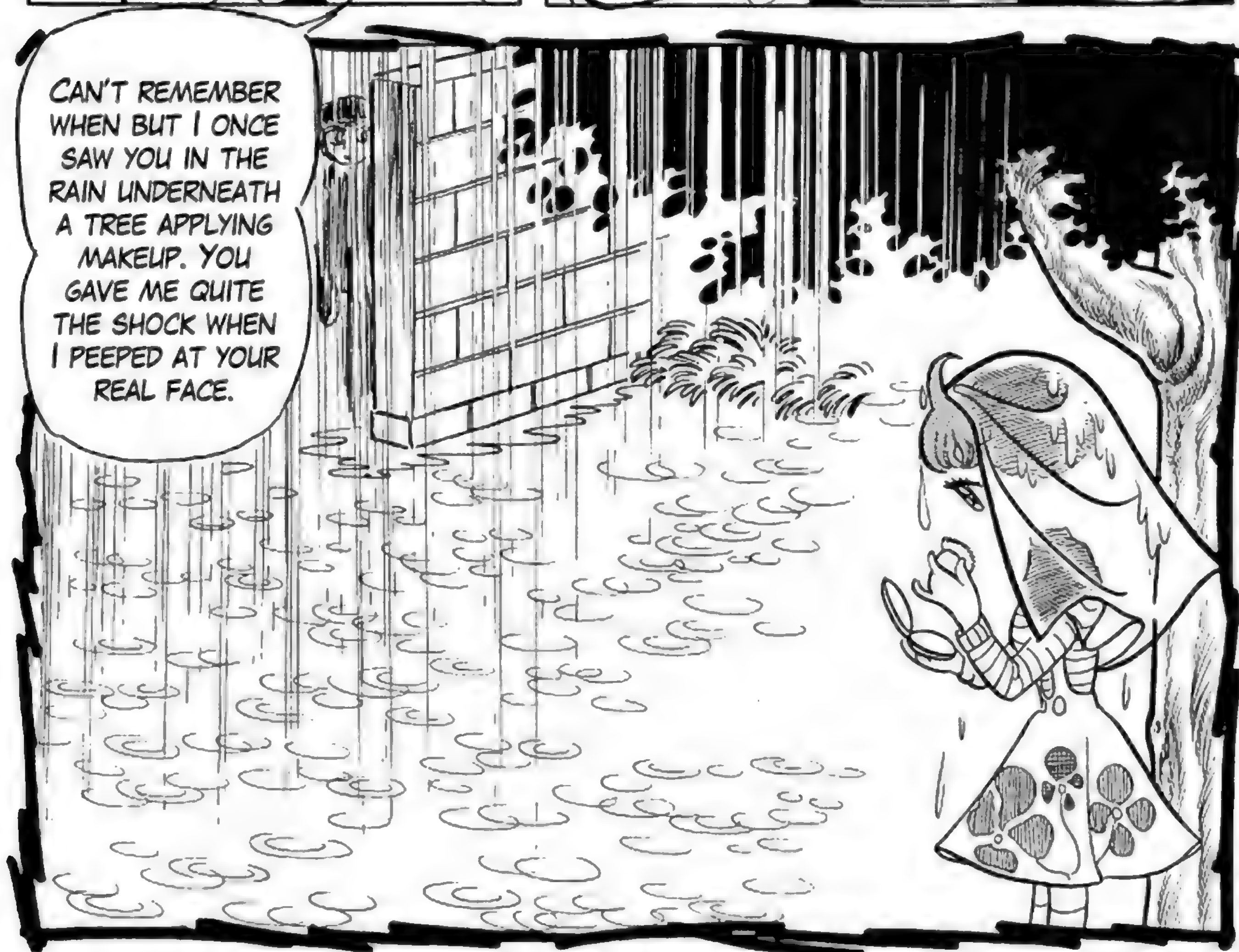




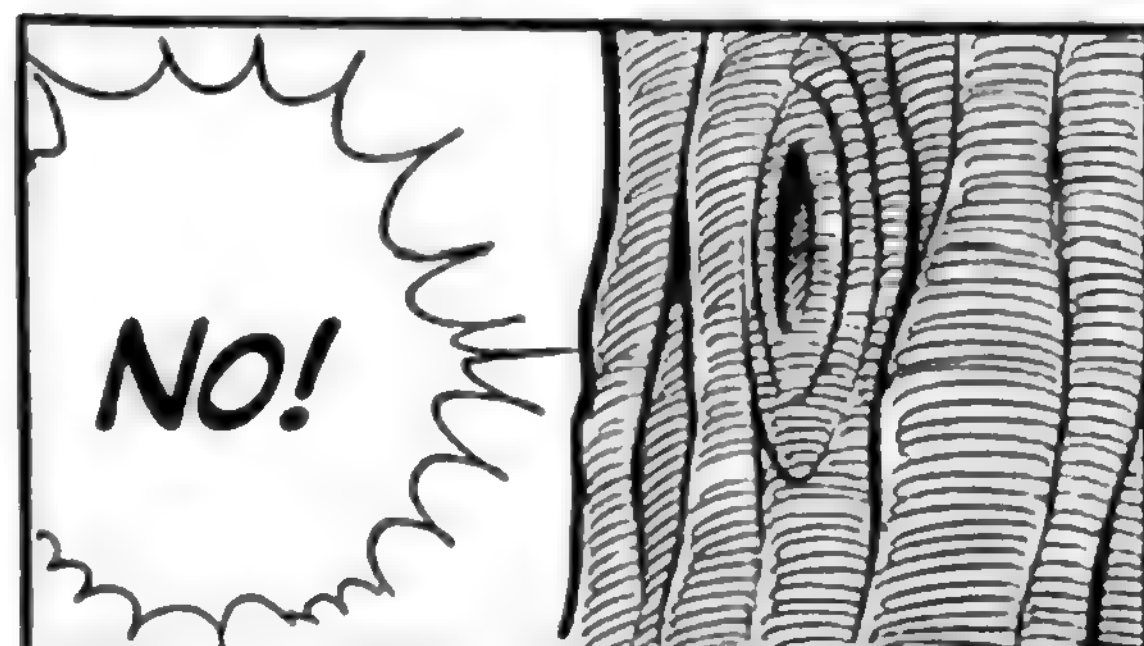
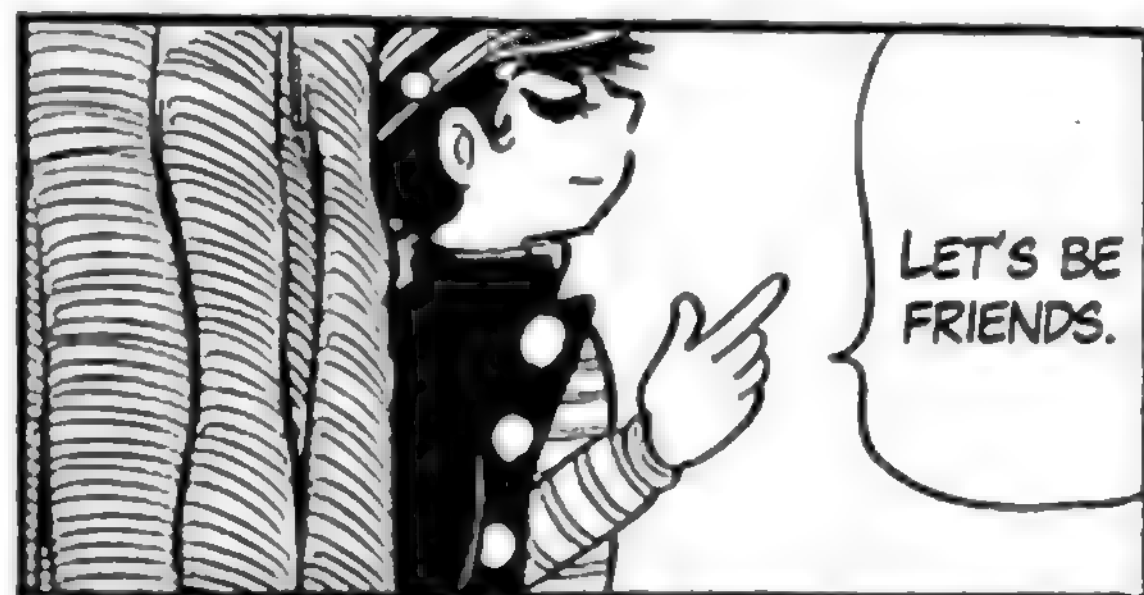




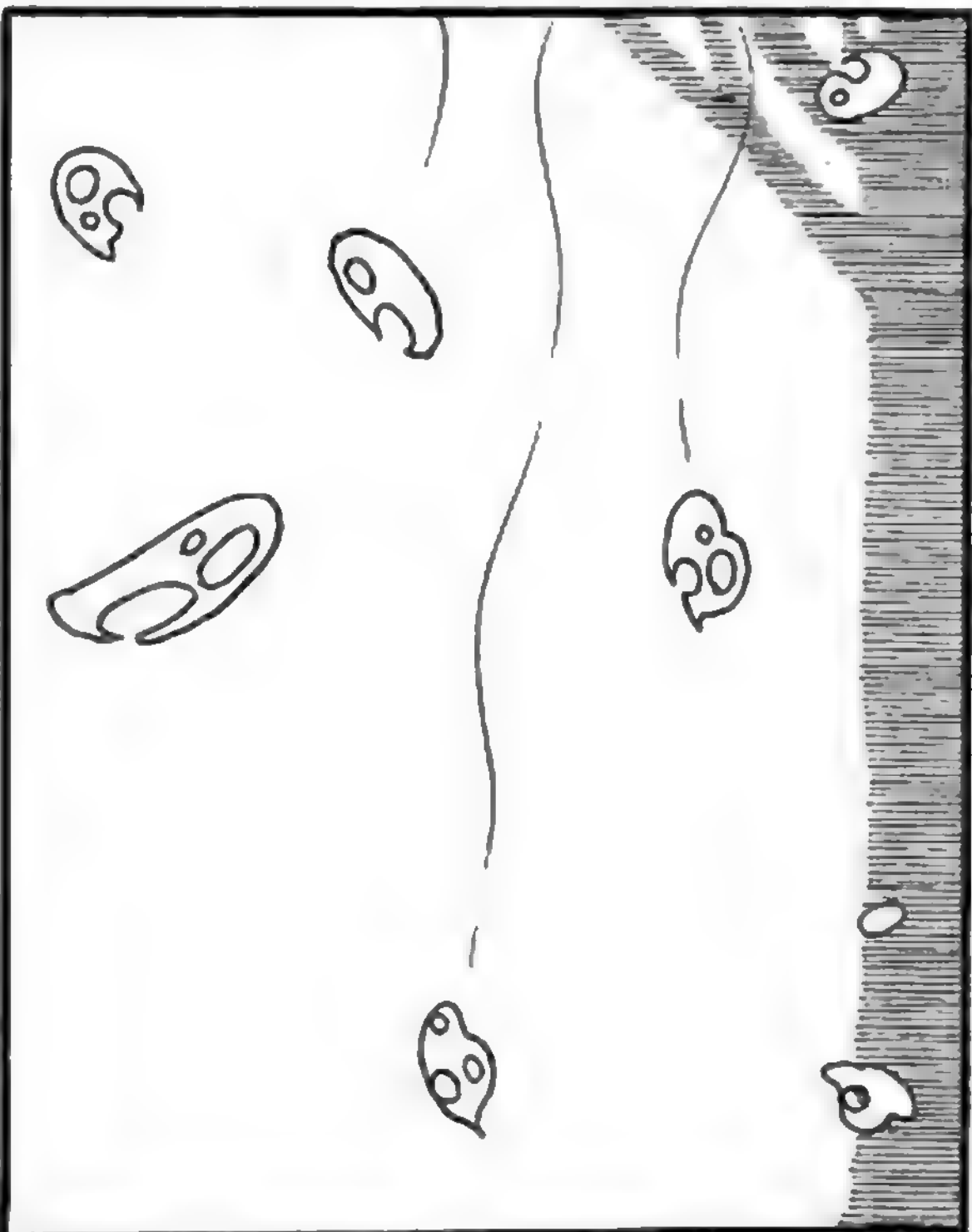
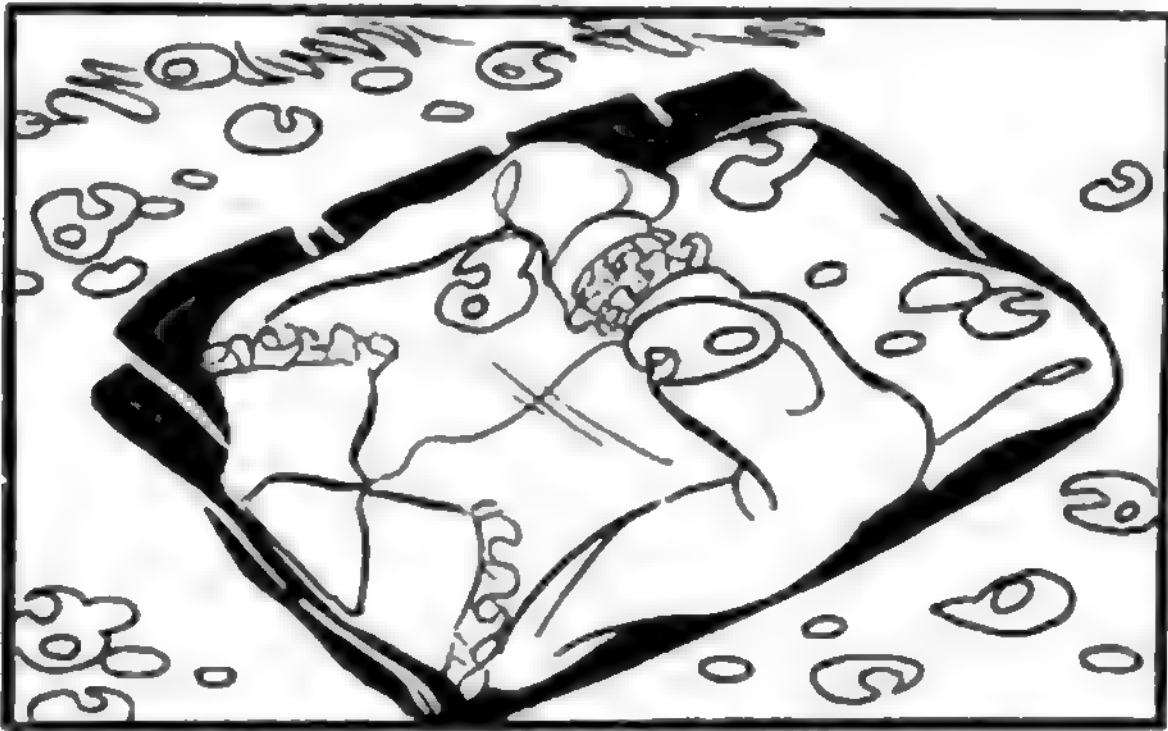
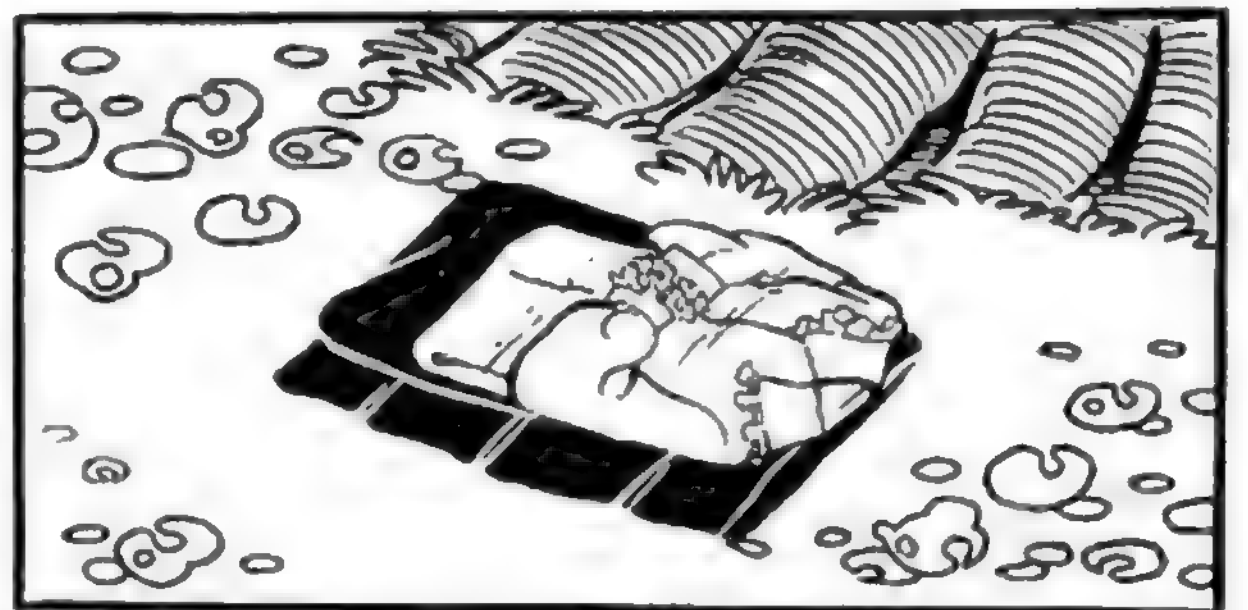




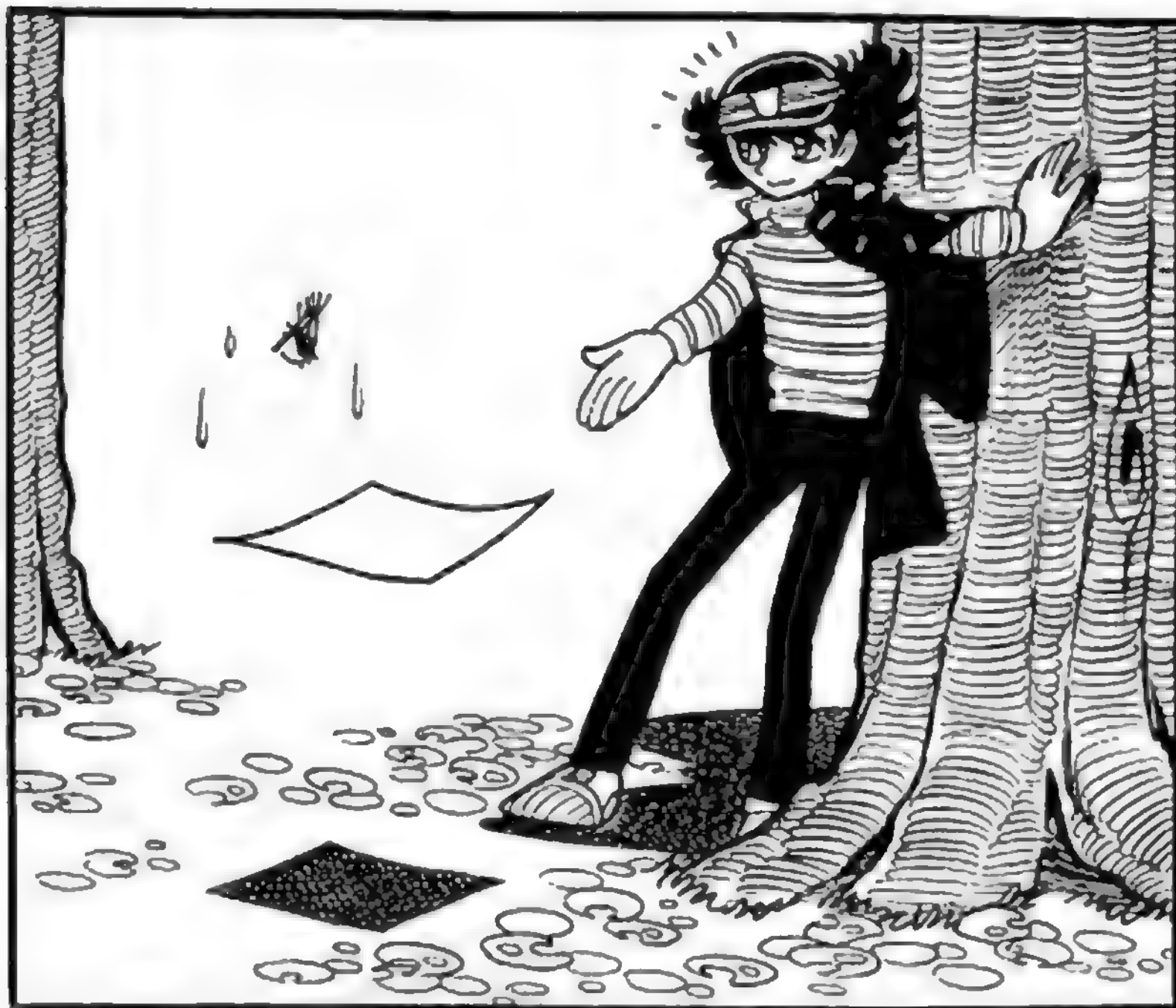
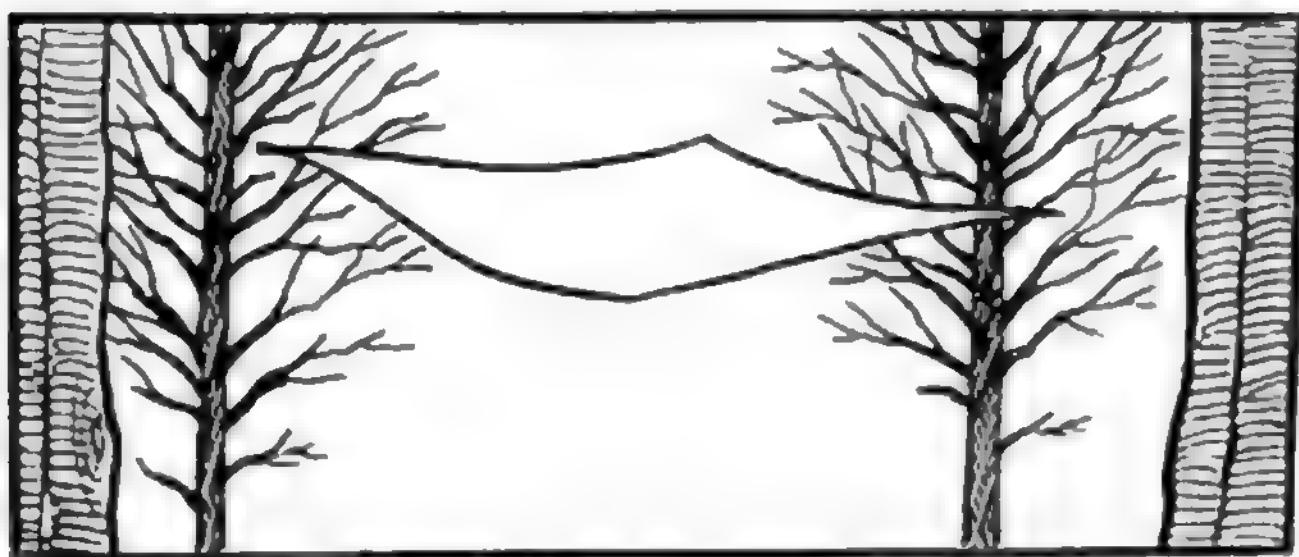




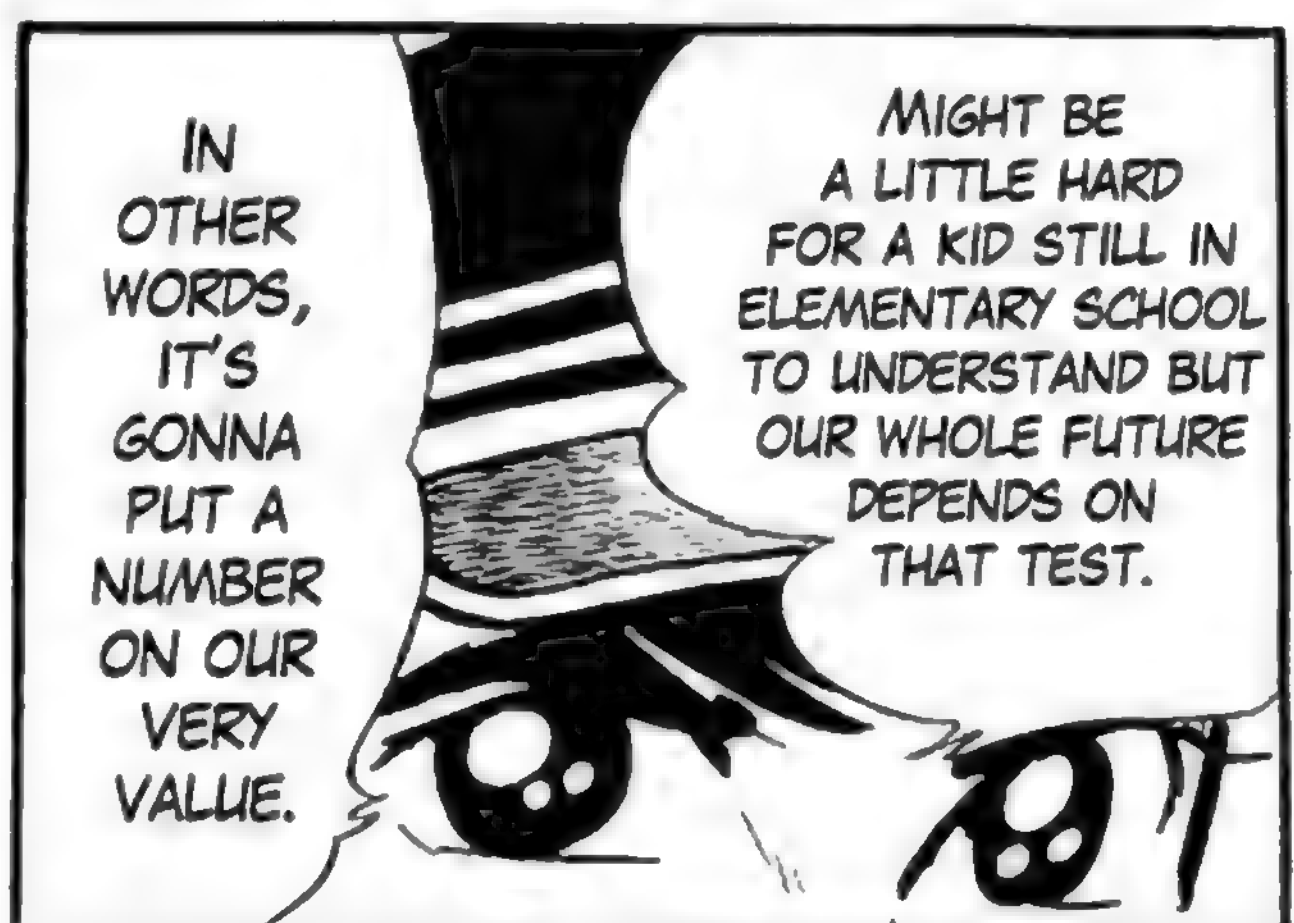




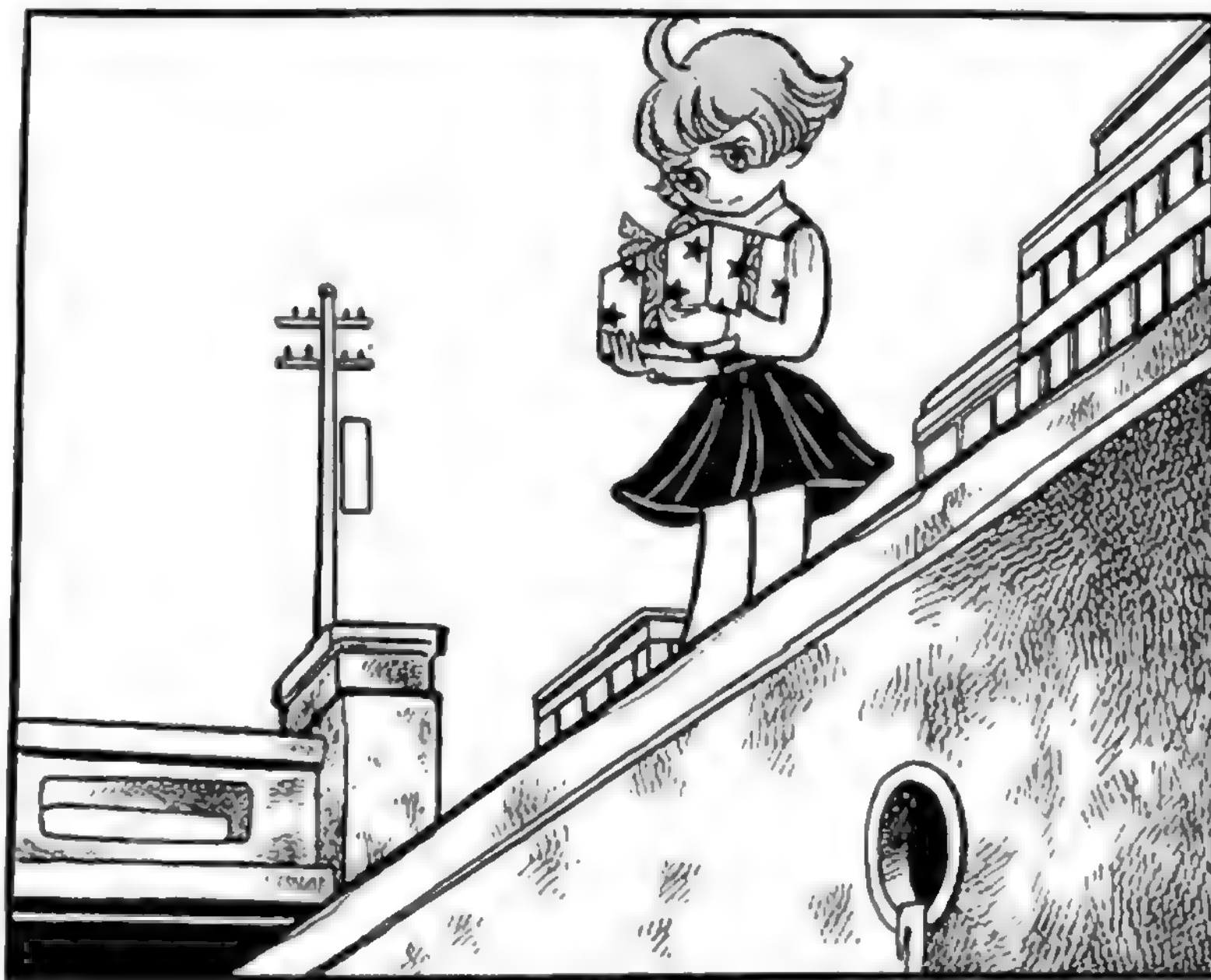
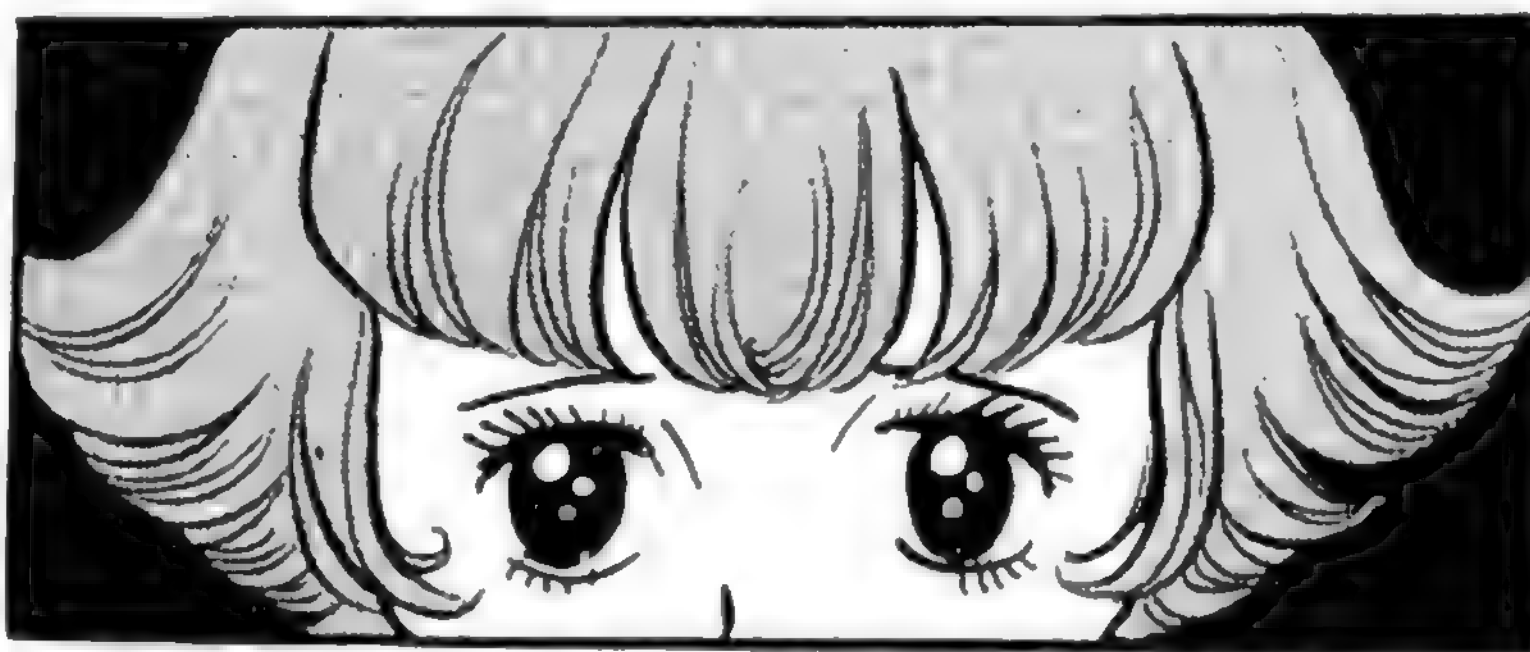




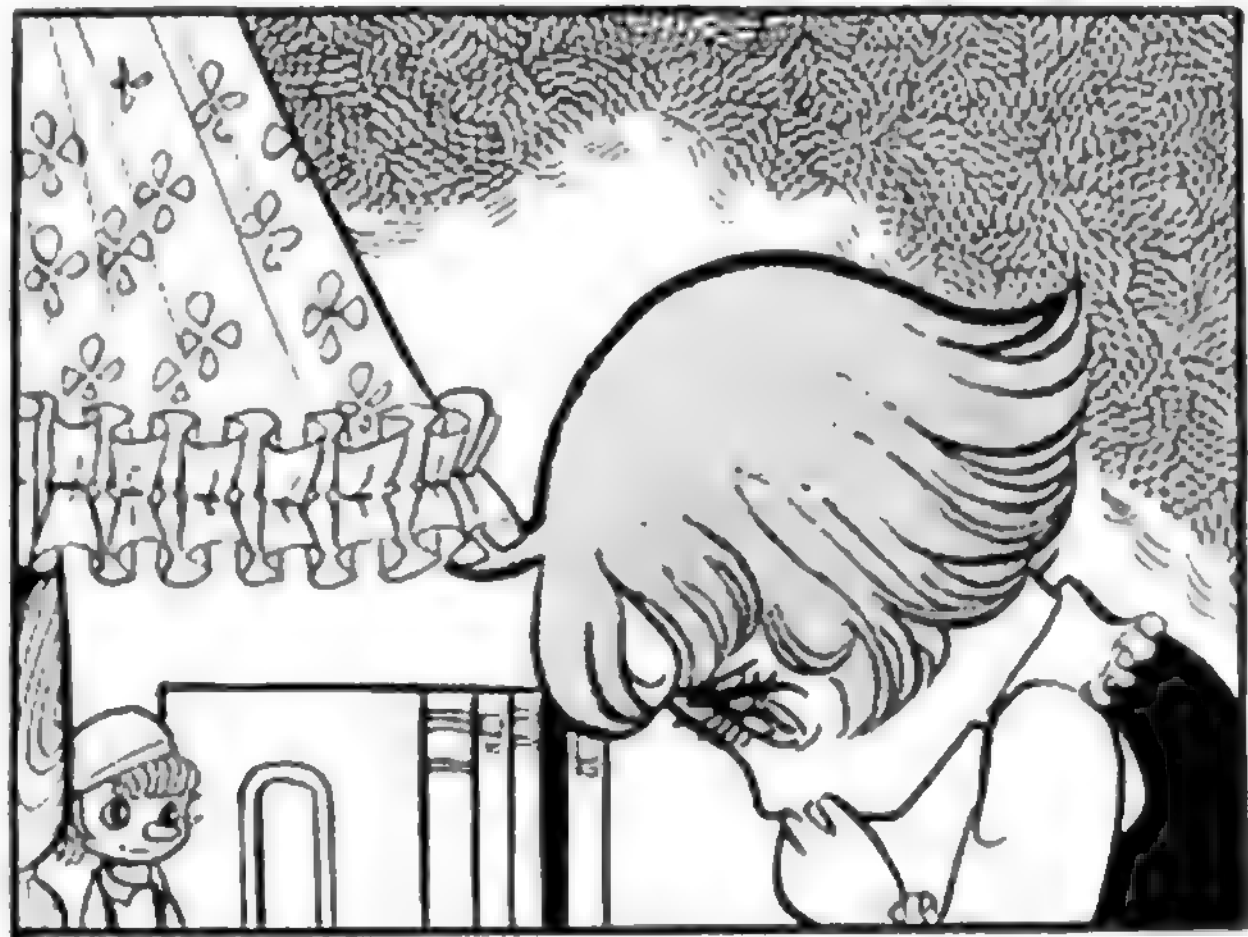
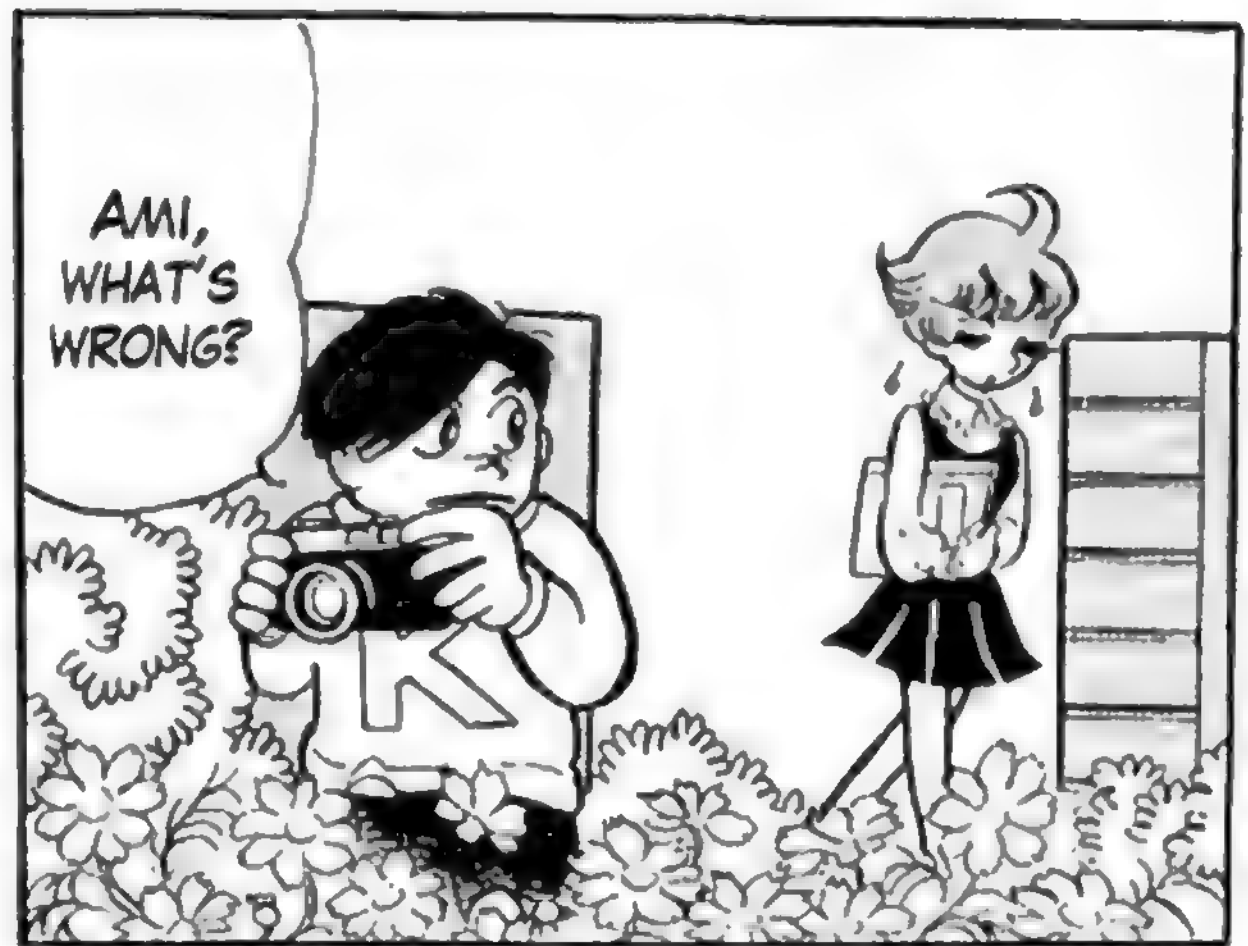




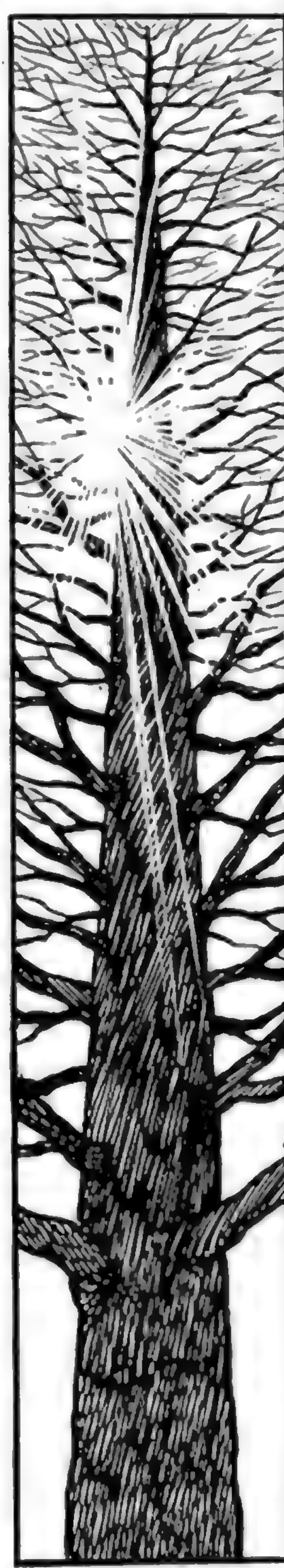
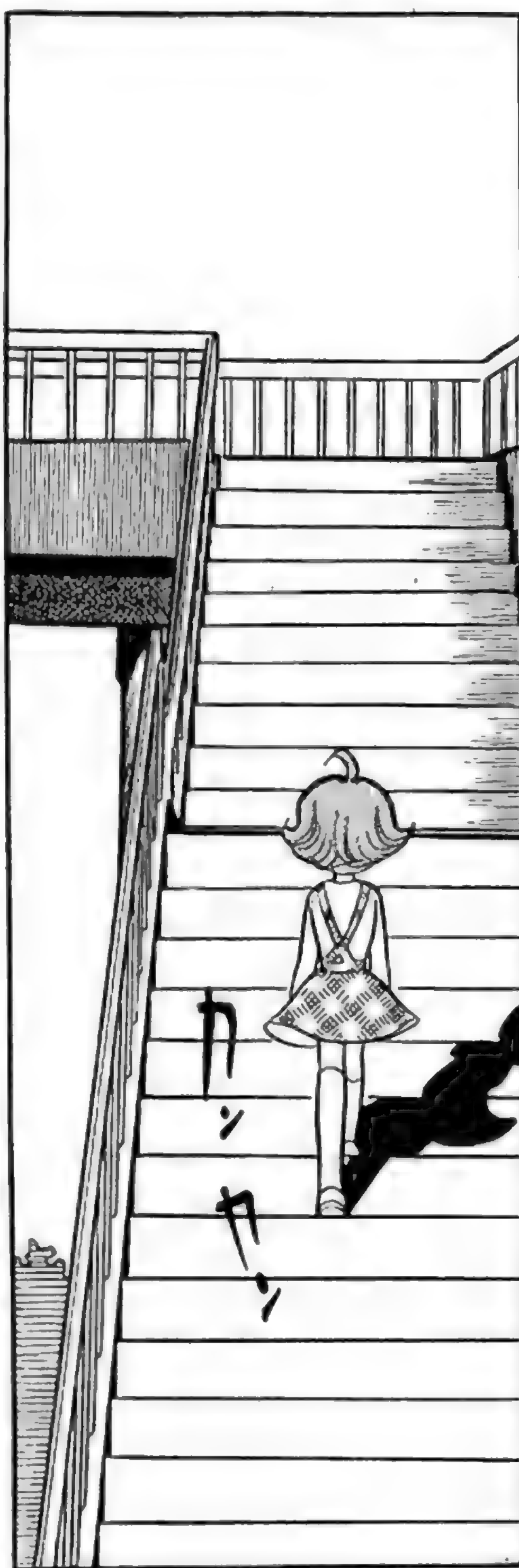








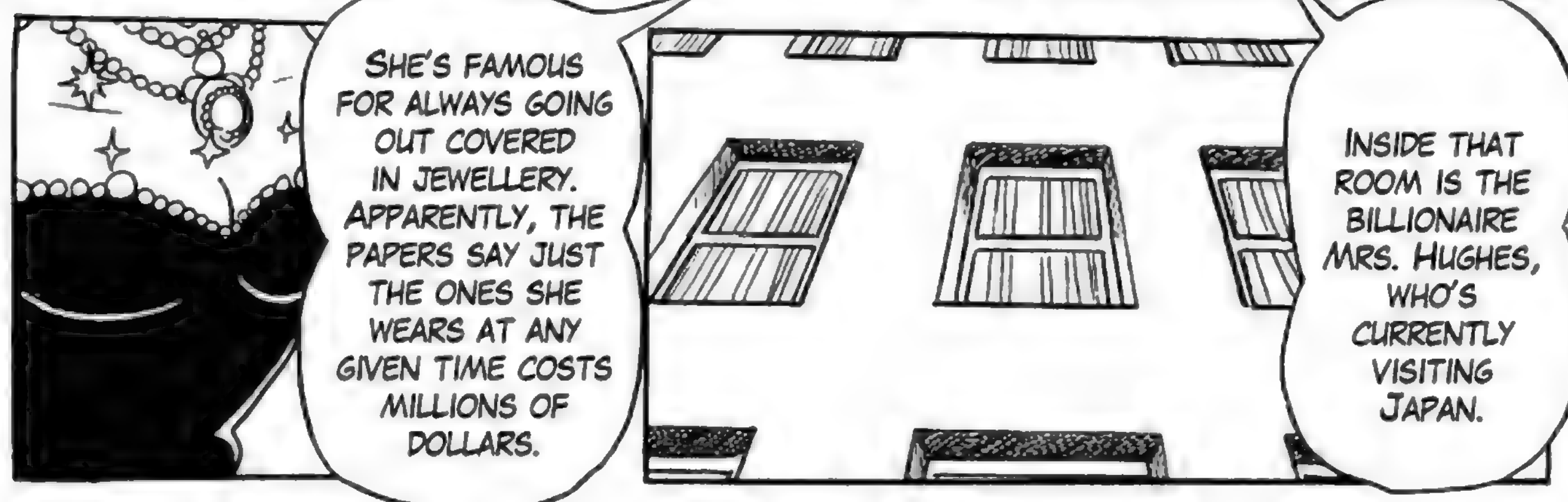






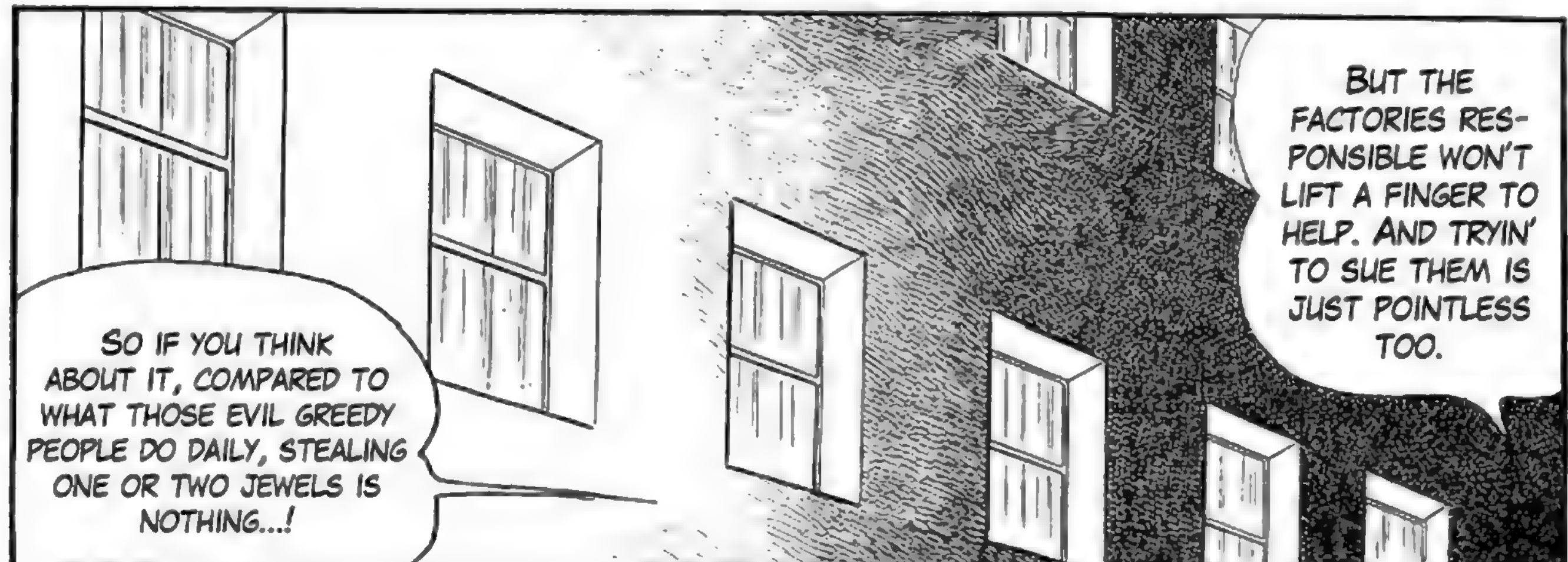




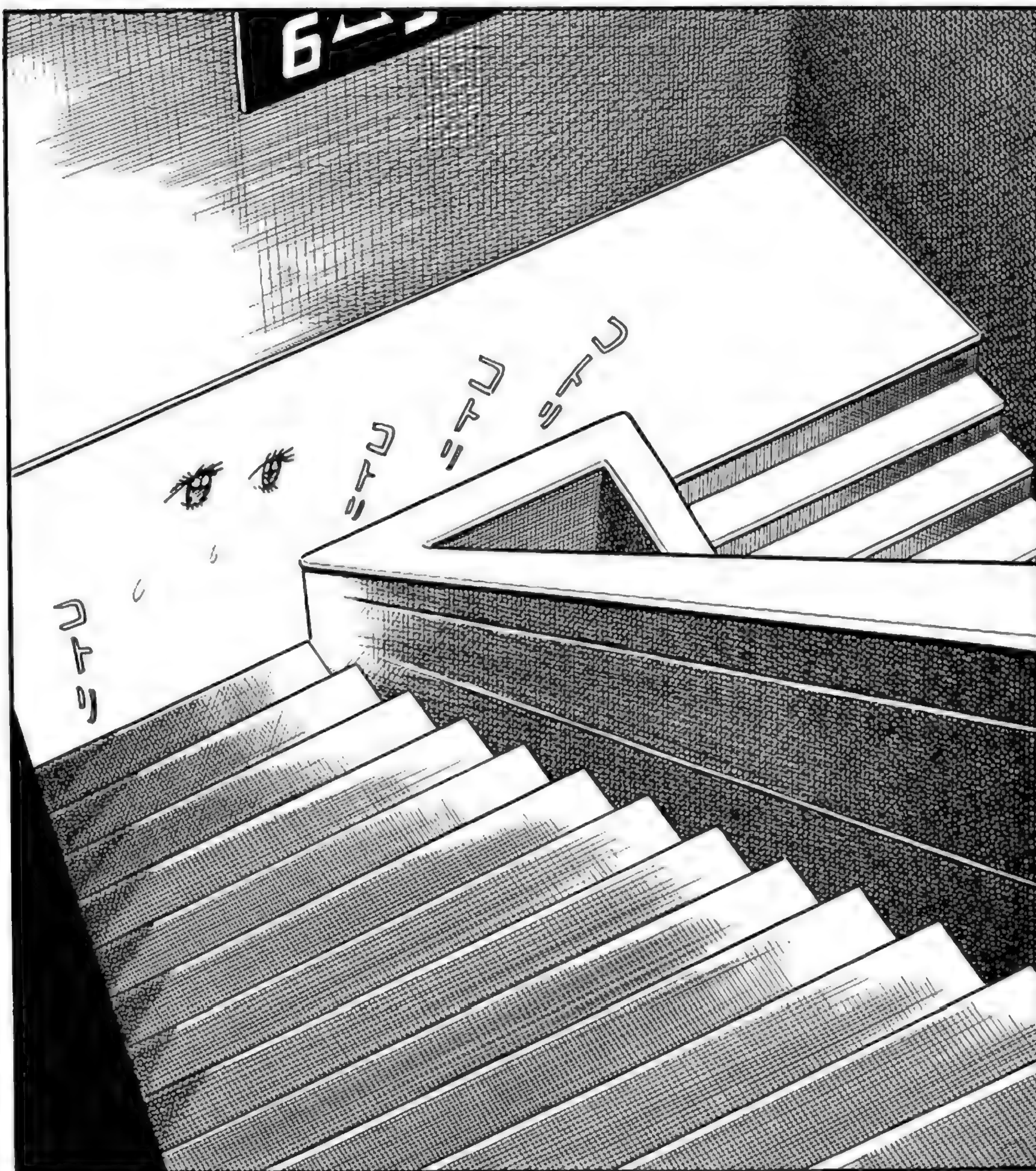


INSIDE THAT ROOM IS THE BILLIONAIRE MRS. HUGHES, WHO'S CURRENTLY VISITING JAPAN.

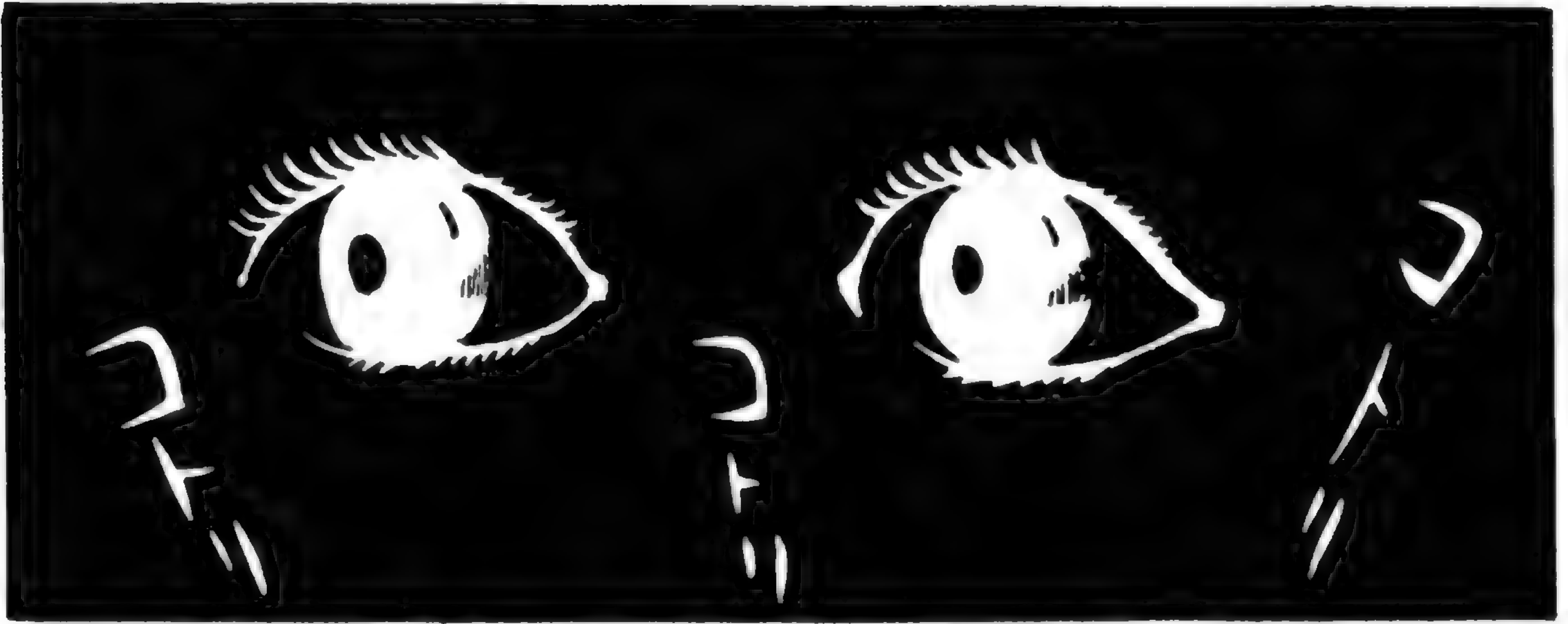




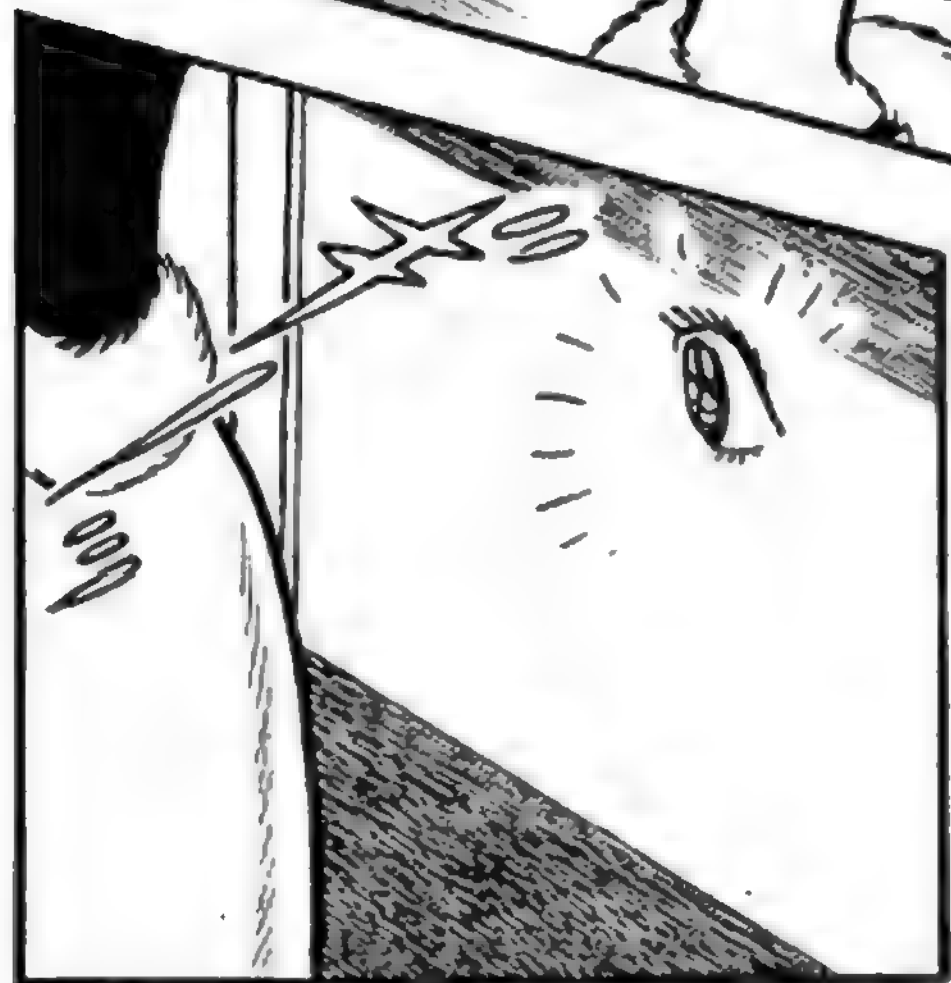
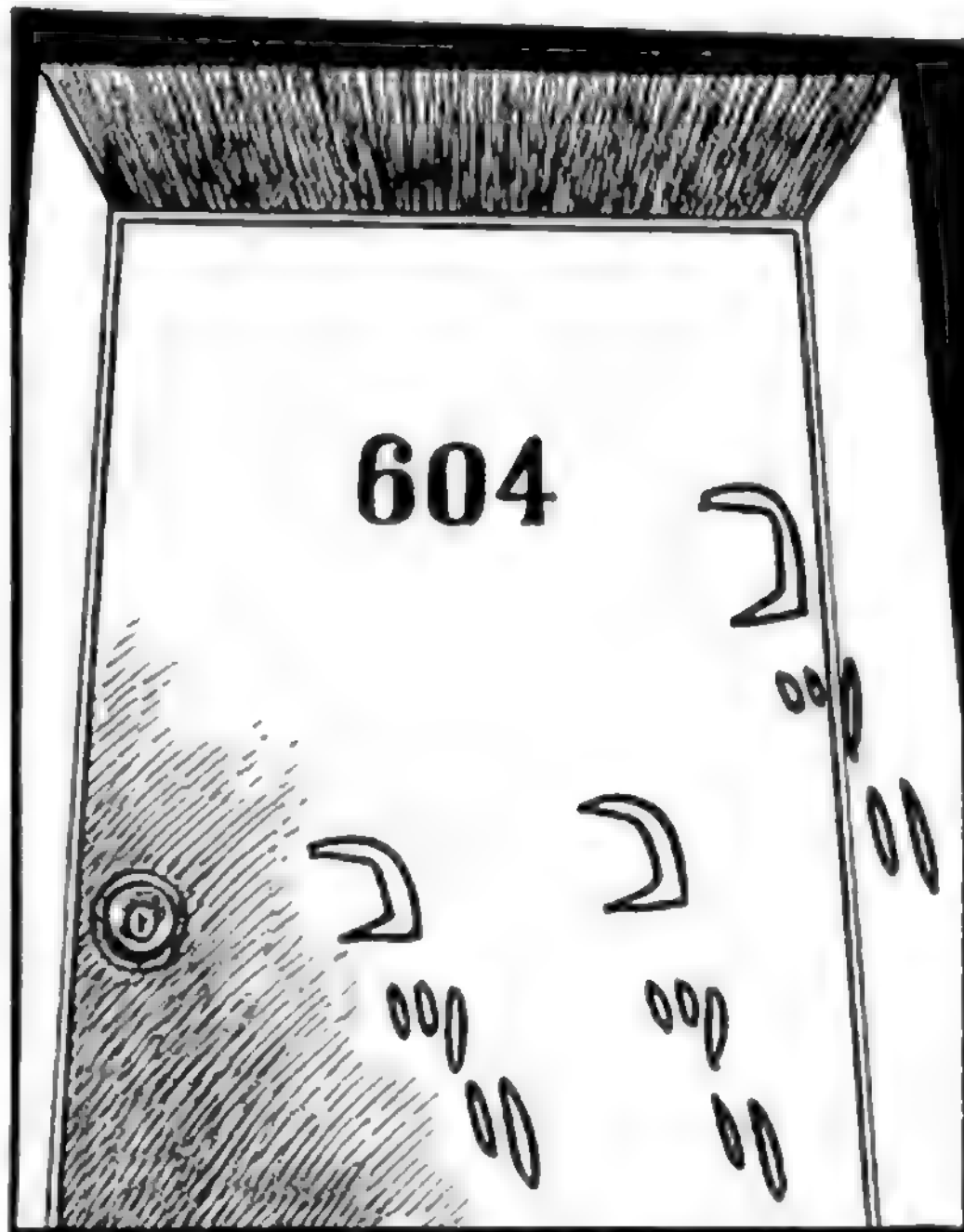
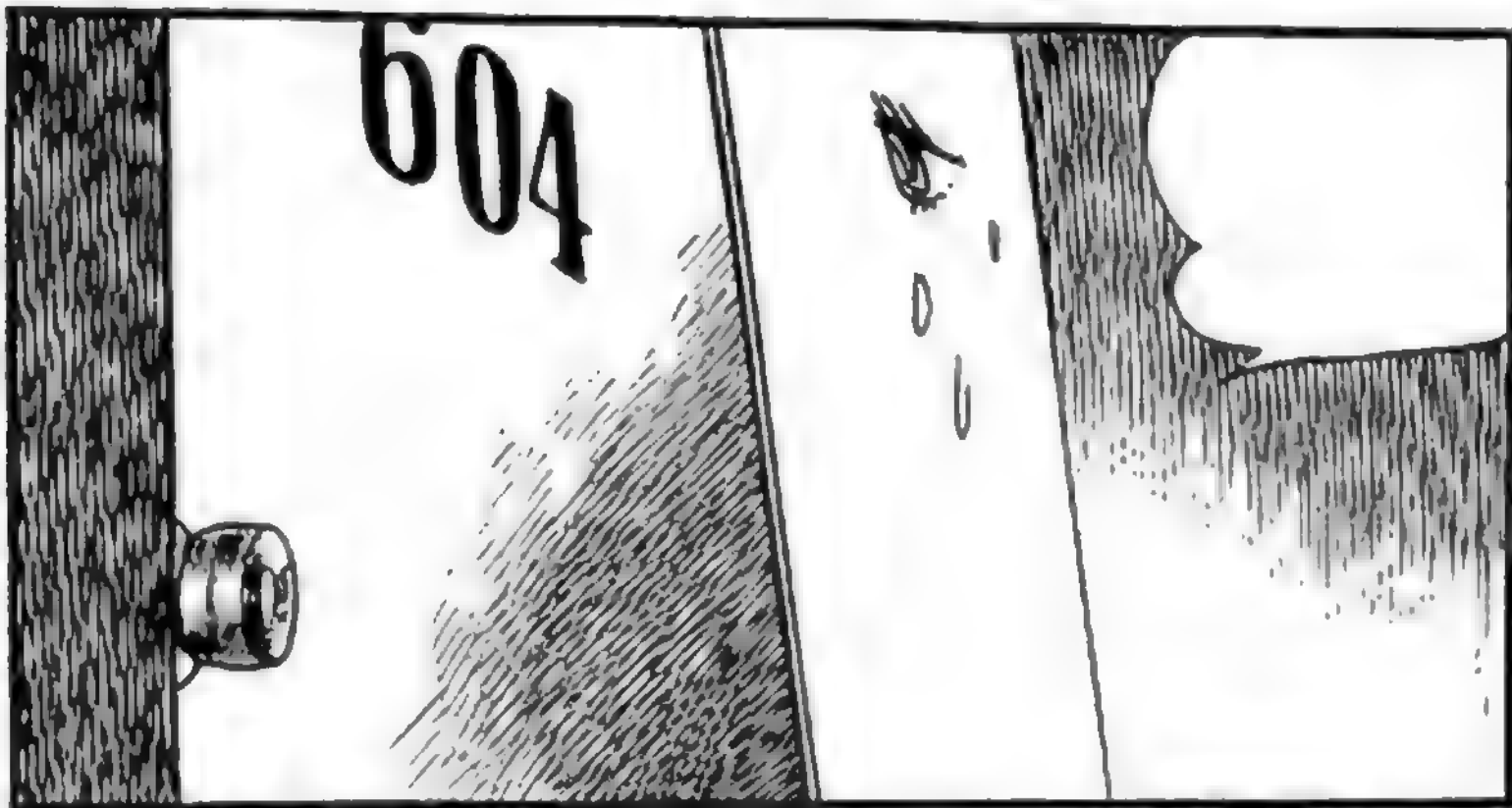
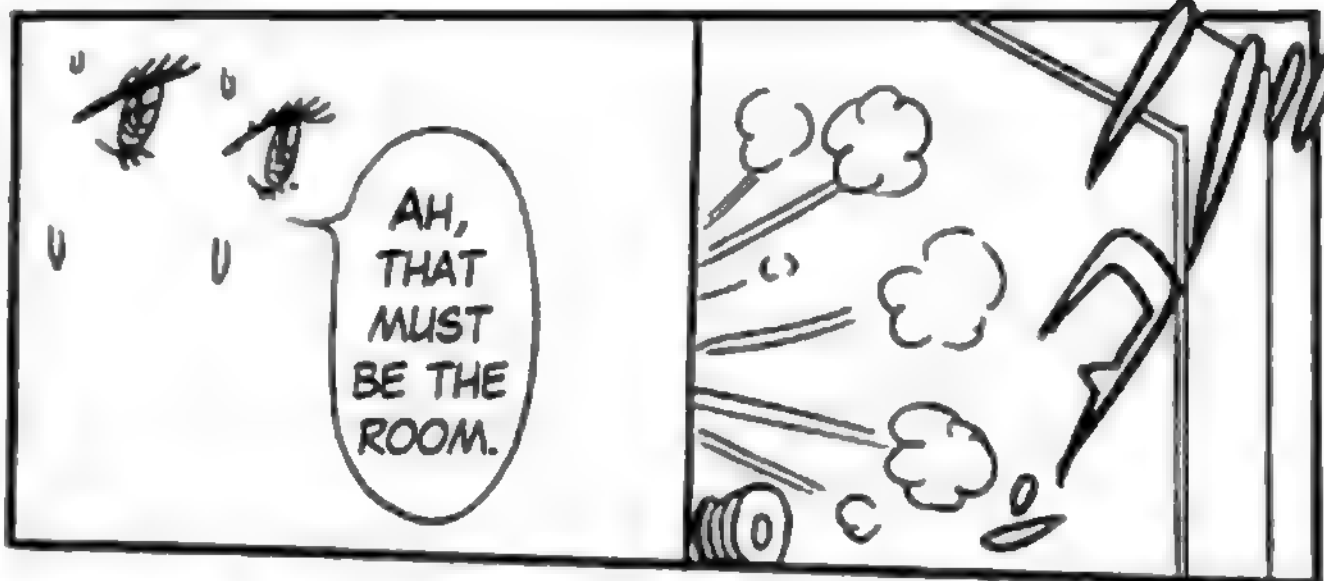






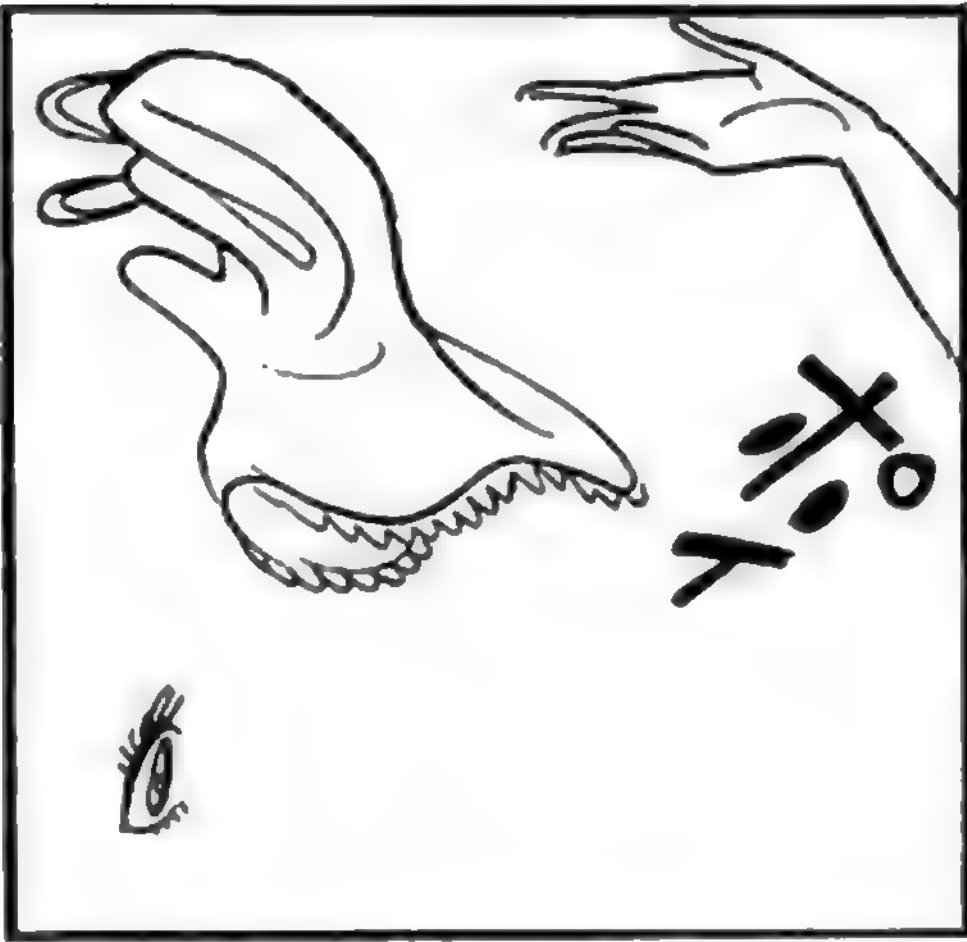




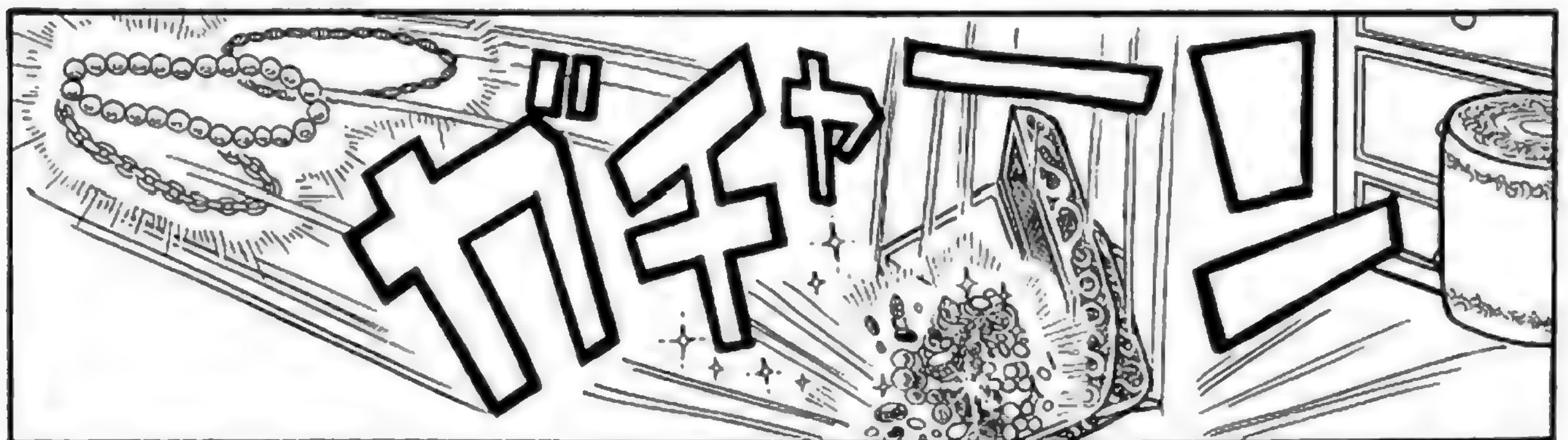
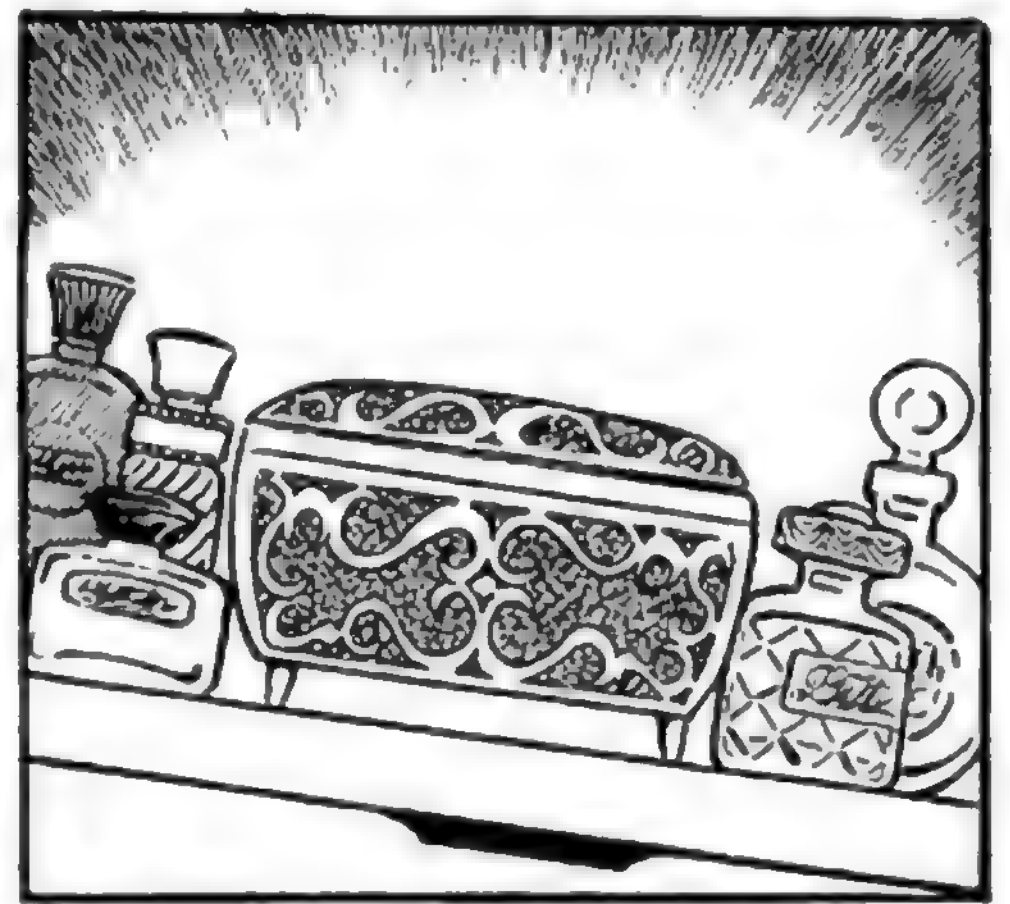
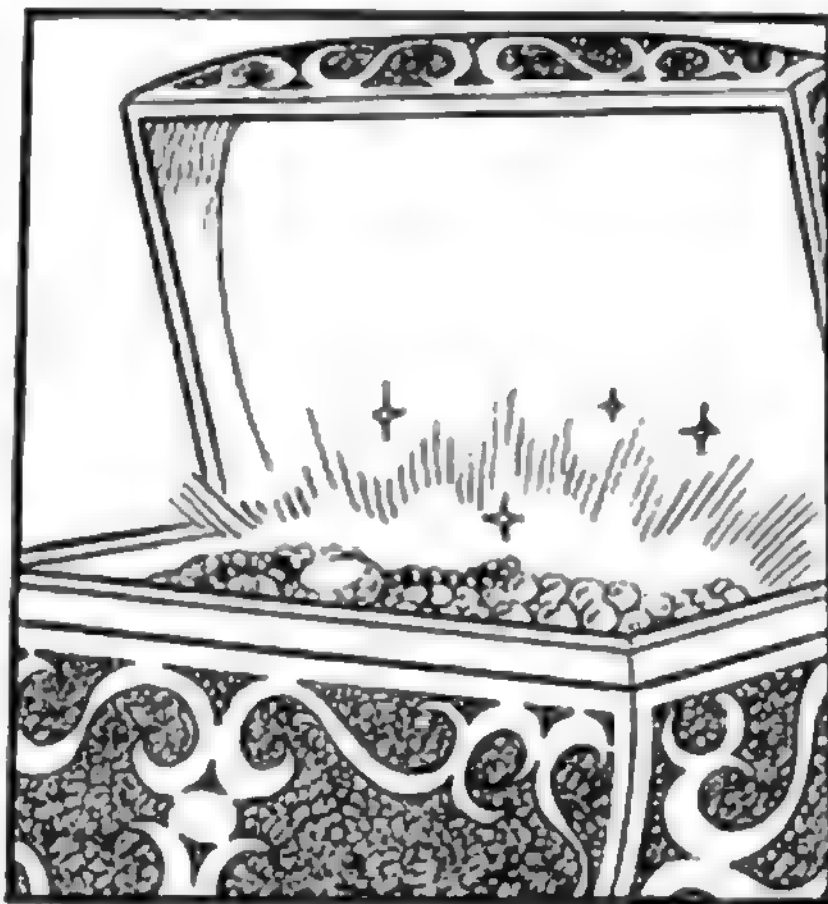
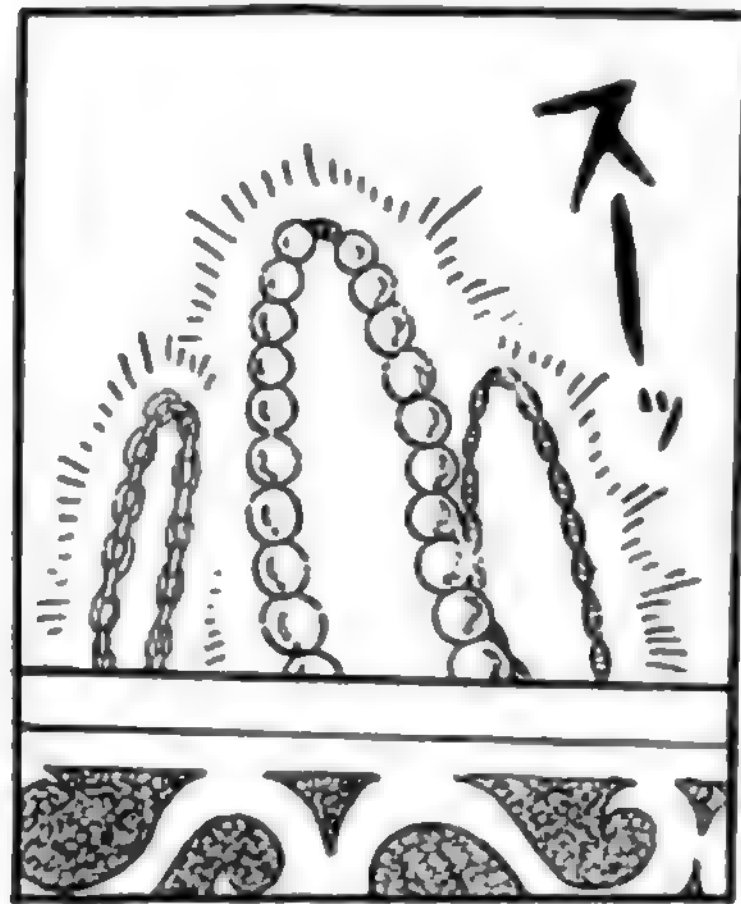
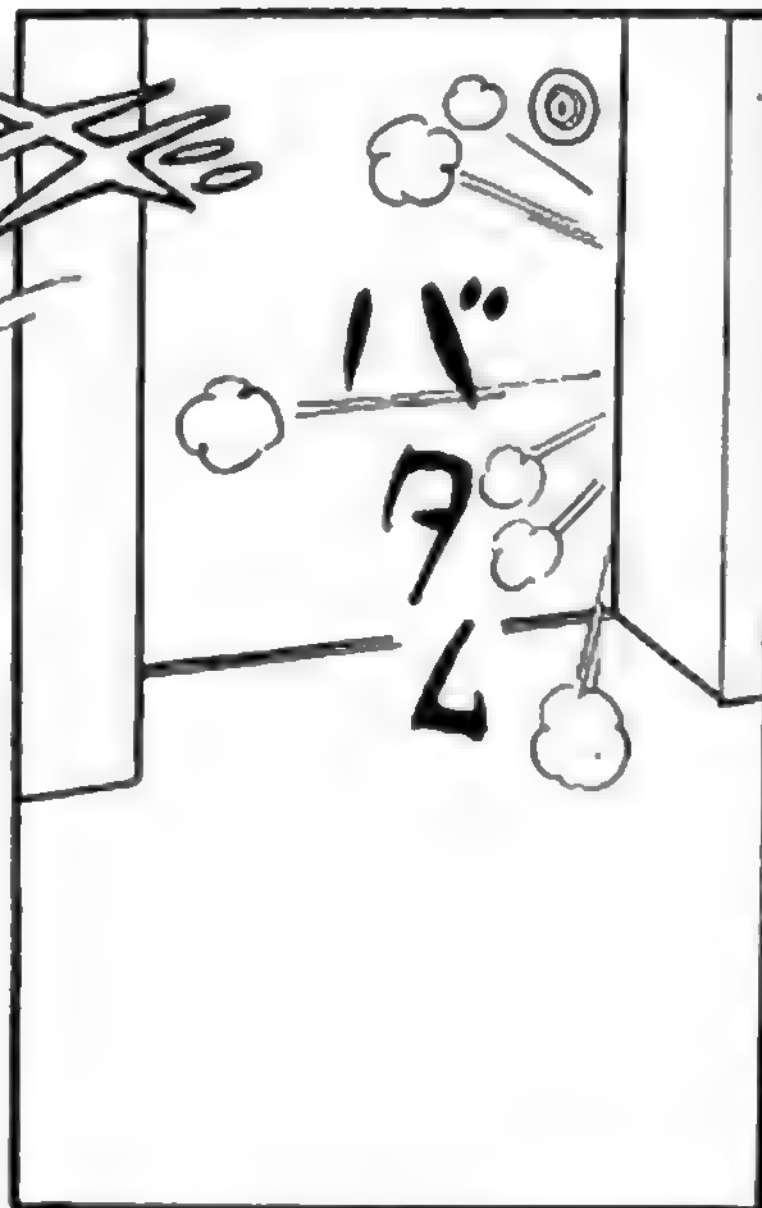






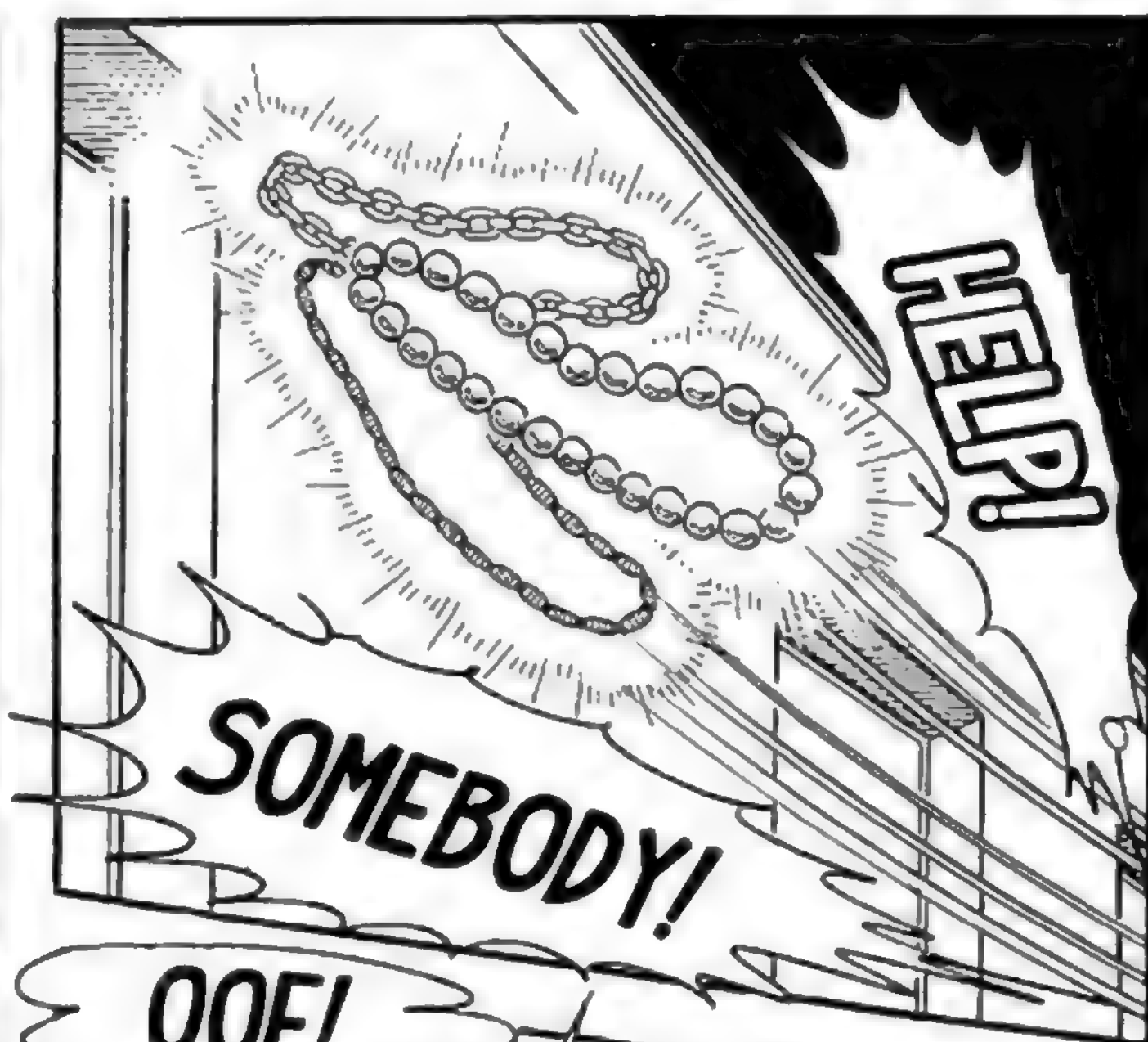




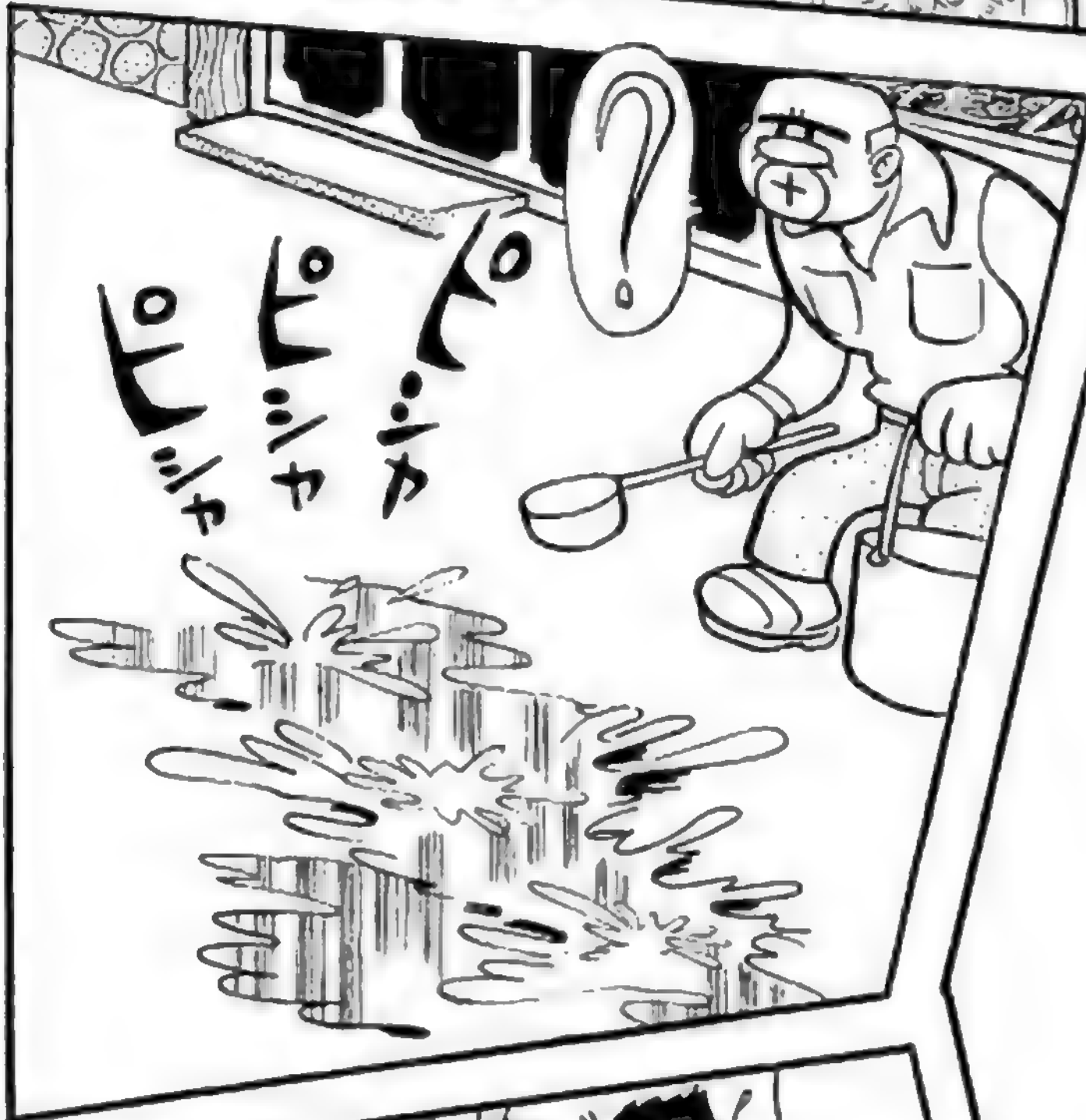
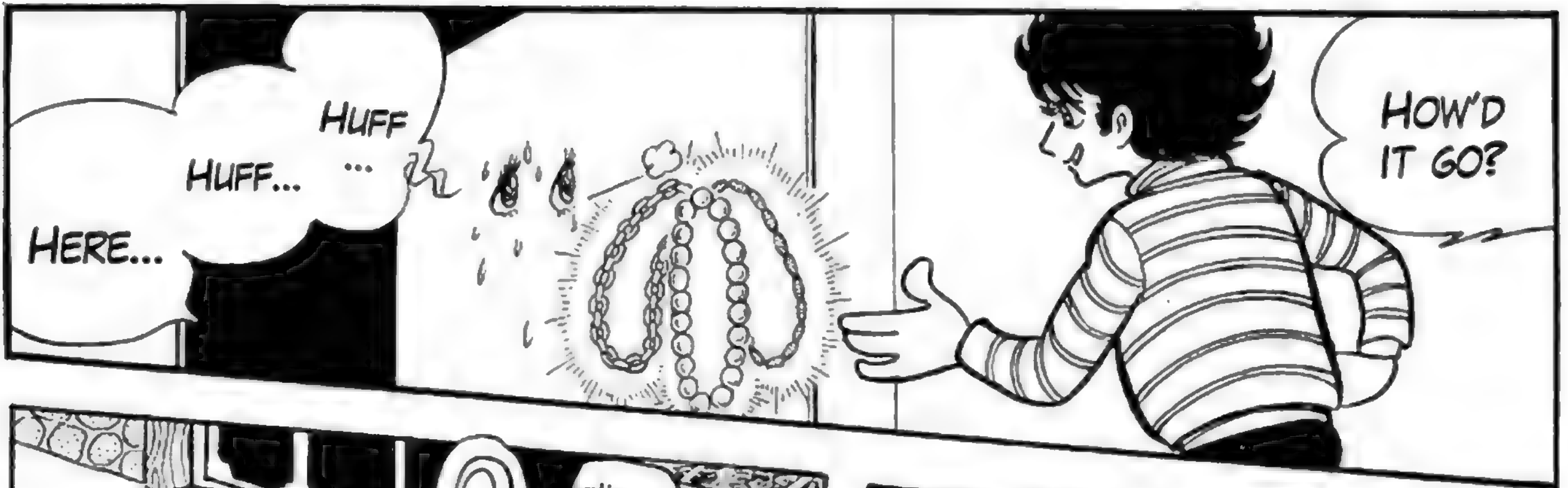




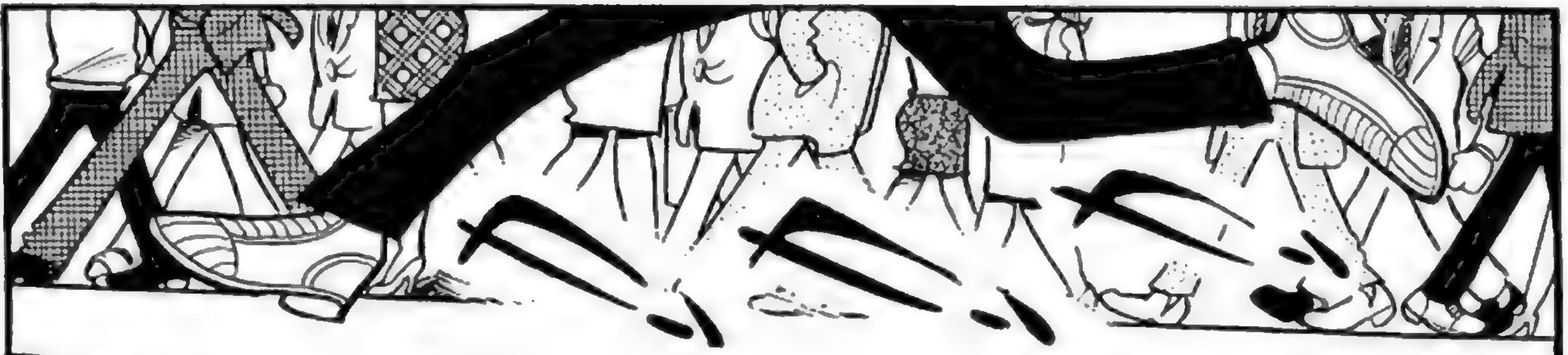
KYAAAAA!











LATER THEN!

I OWE YOU ONE.



HURRY!

ALRIGHT, LET'S SPLIT UP FROM HERE. YOU DON'T WANT TO STICK AROUND WITH ME ANY LONGER, RIGHT?

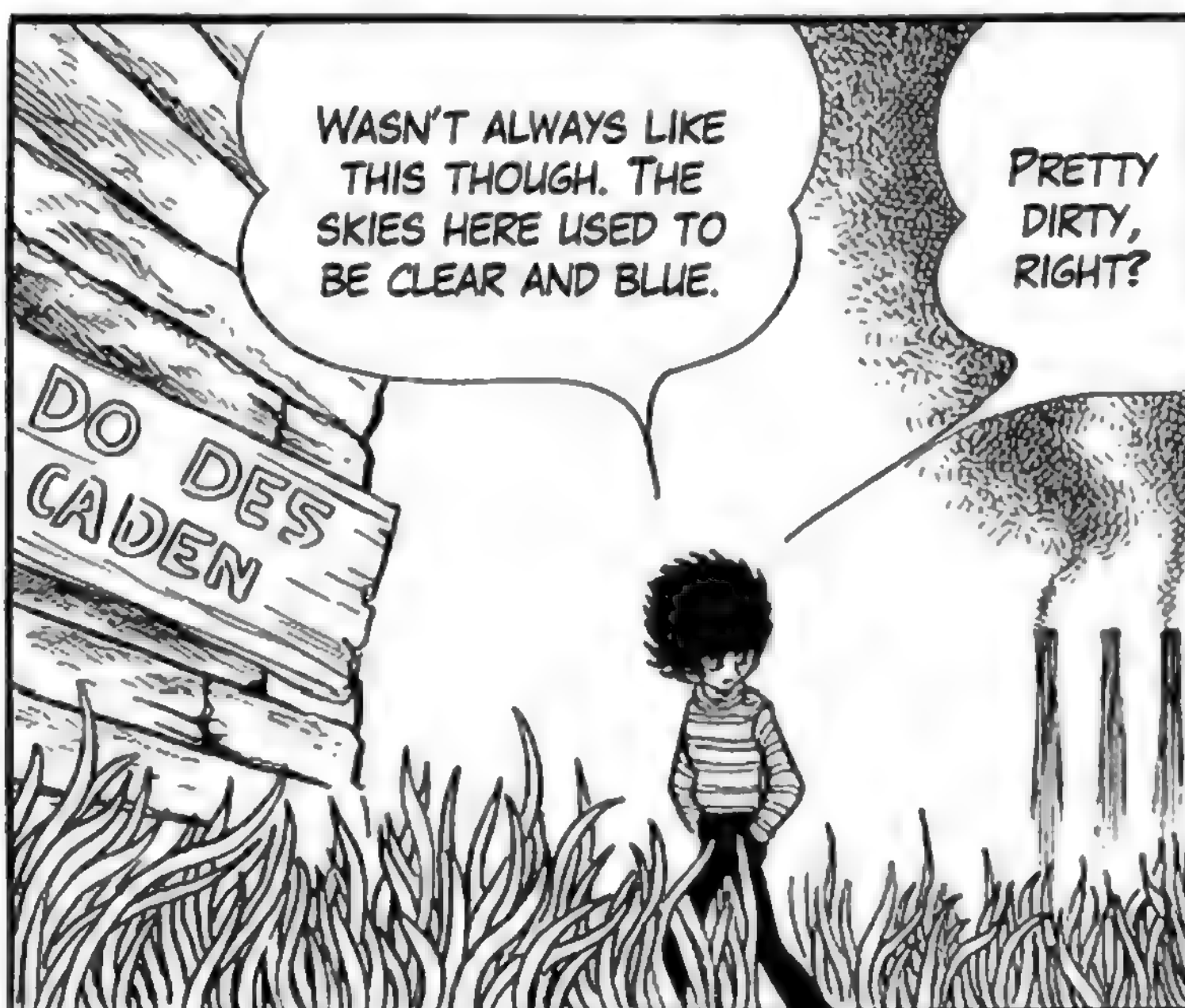
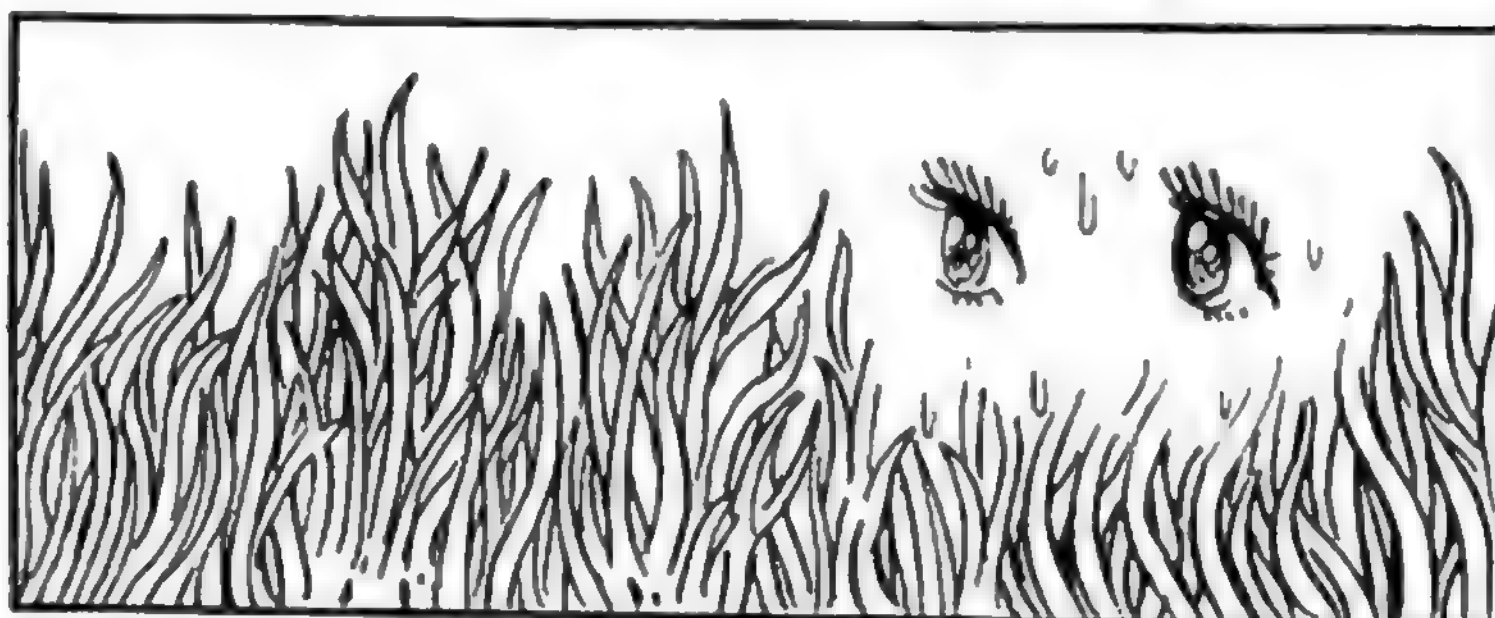
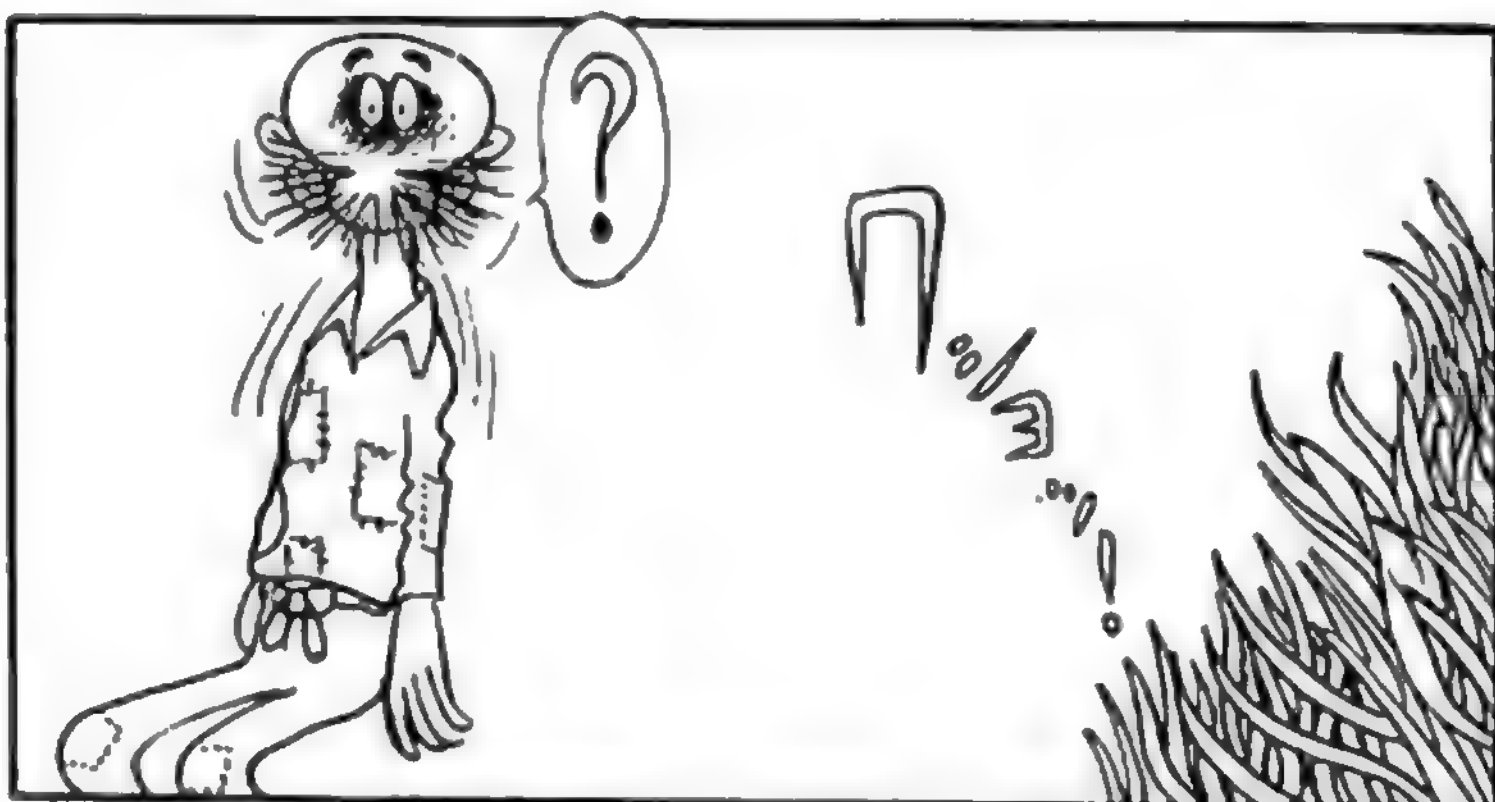
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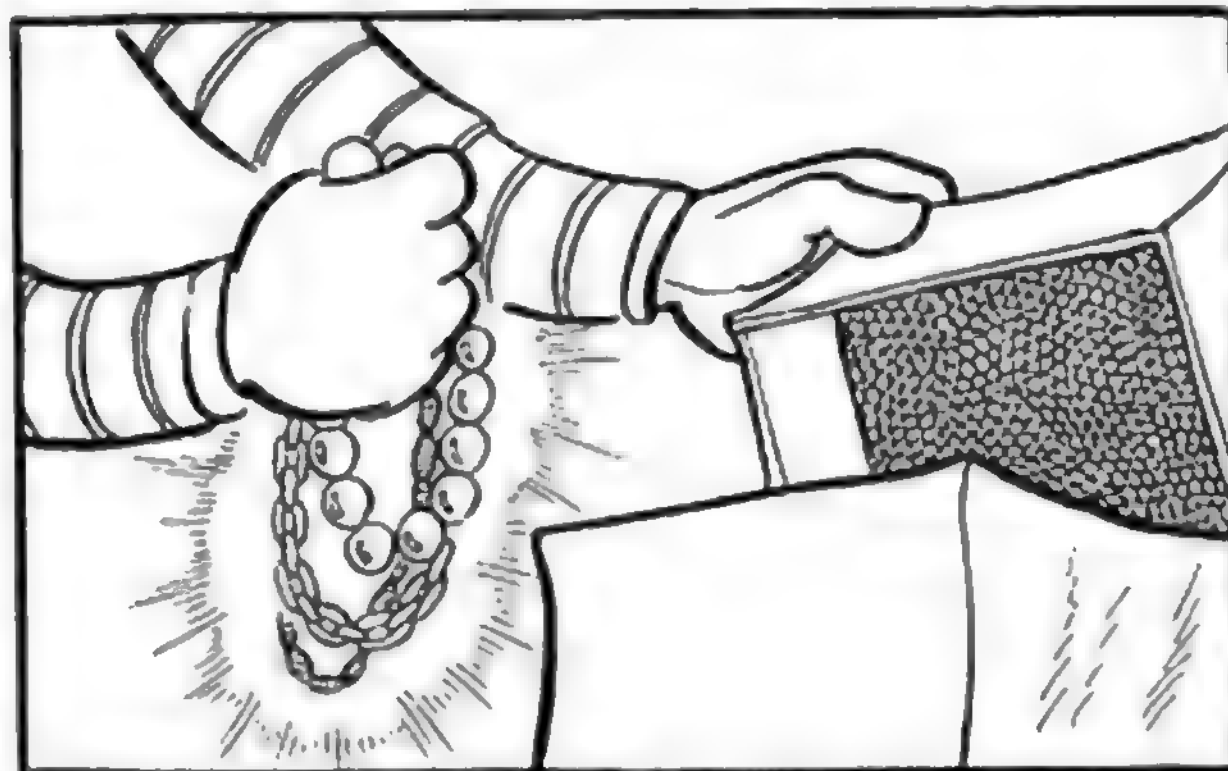
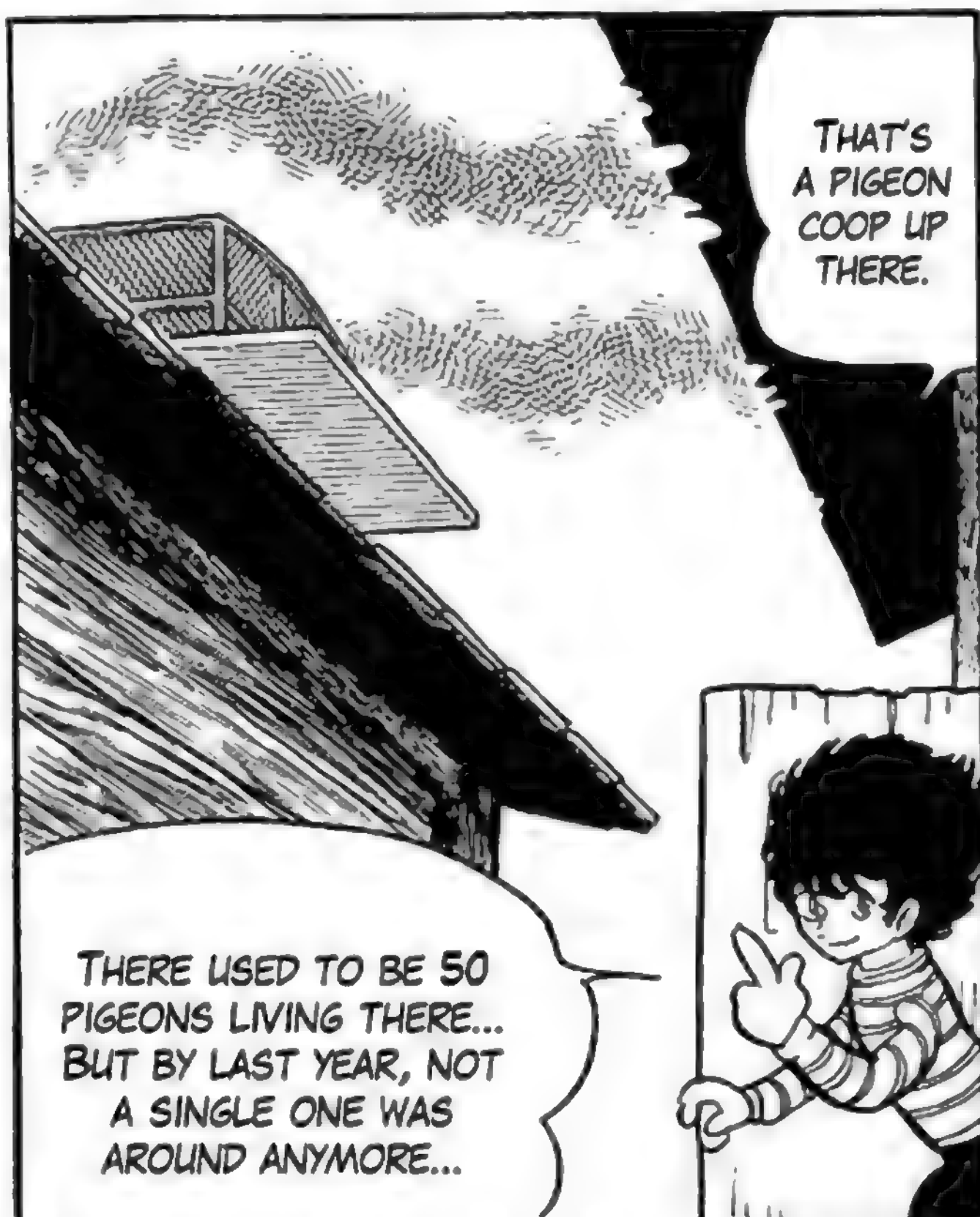




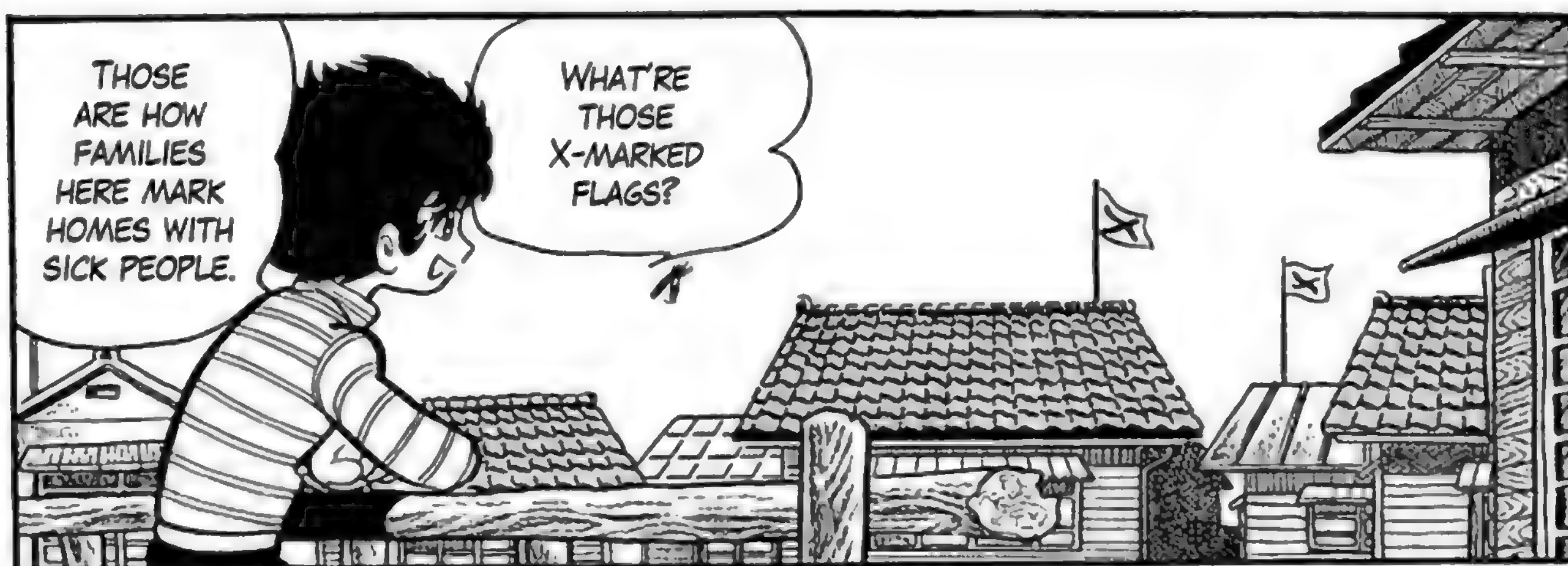




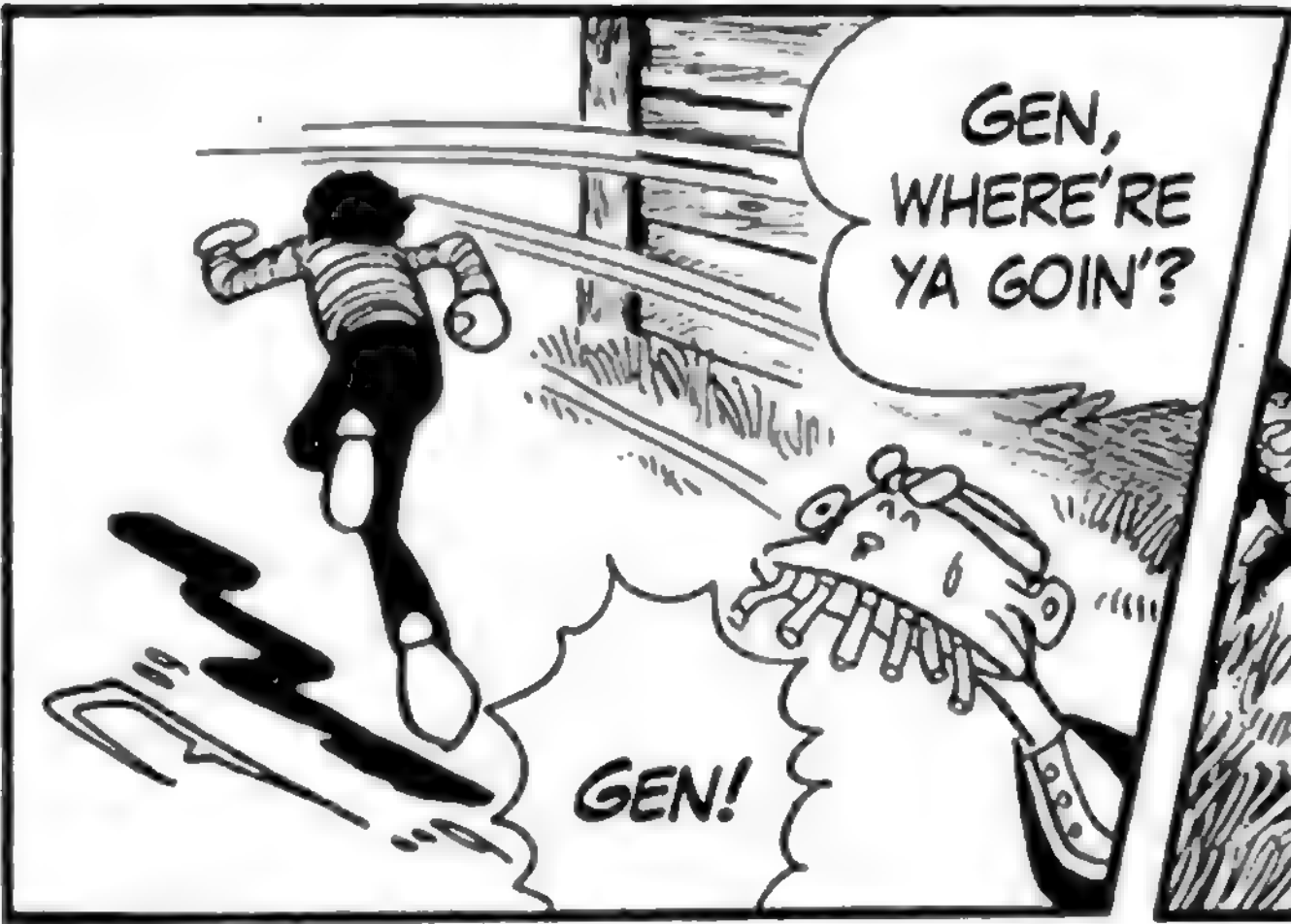












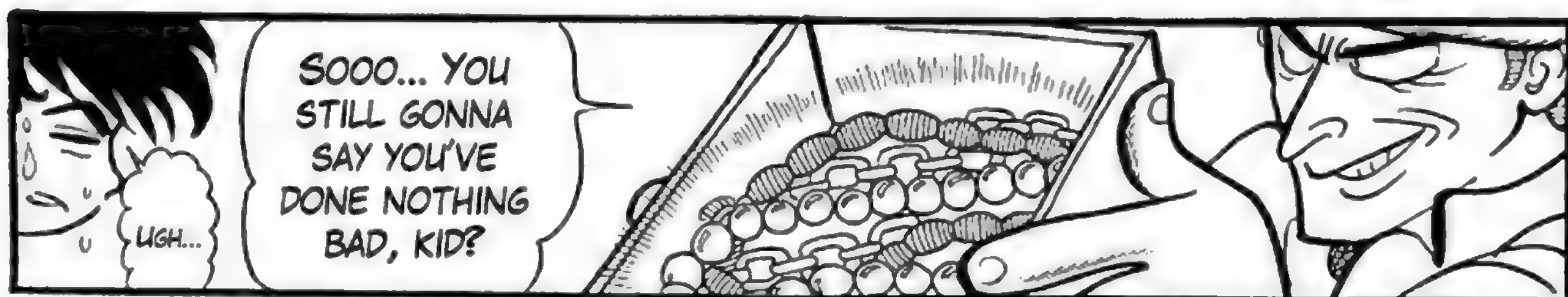




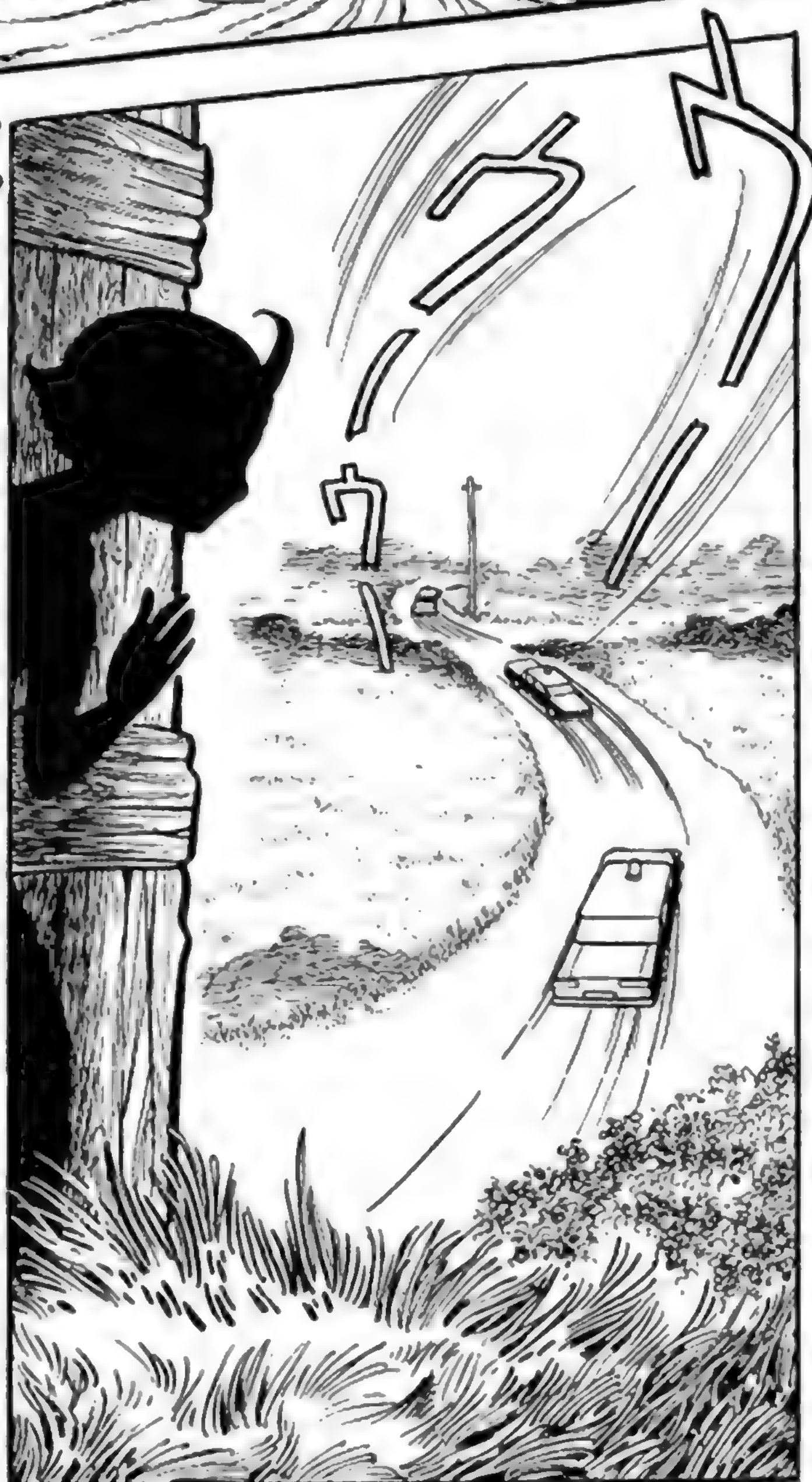
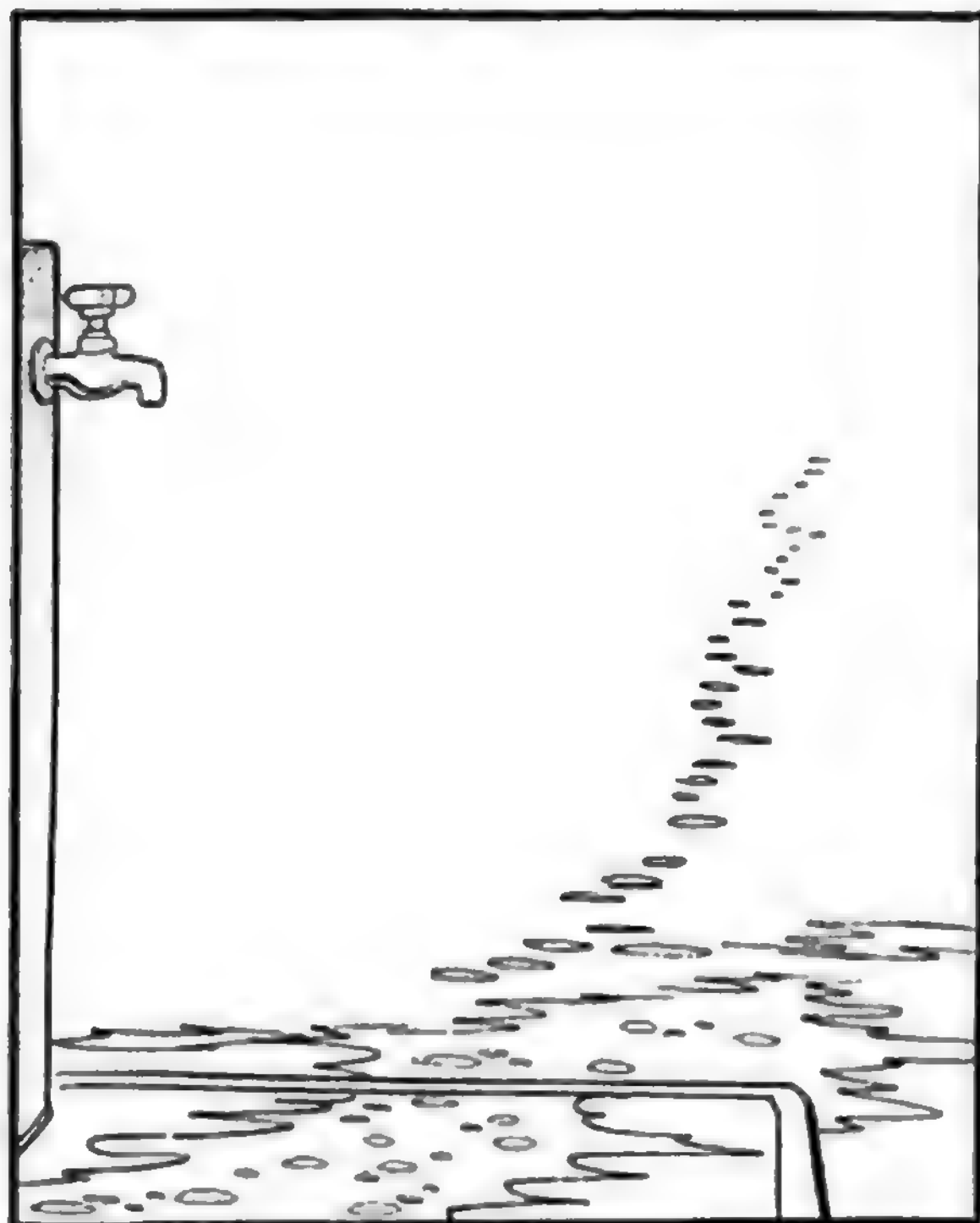
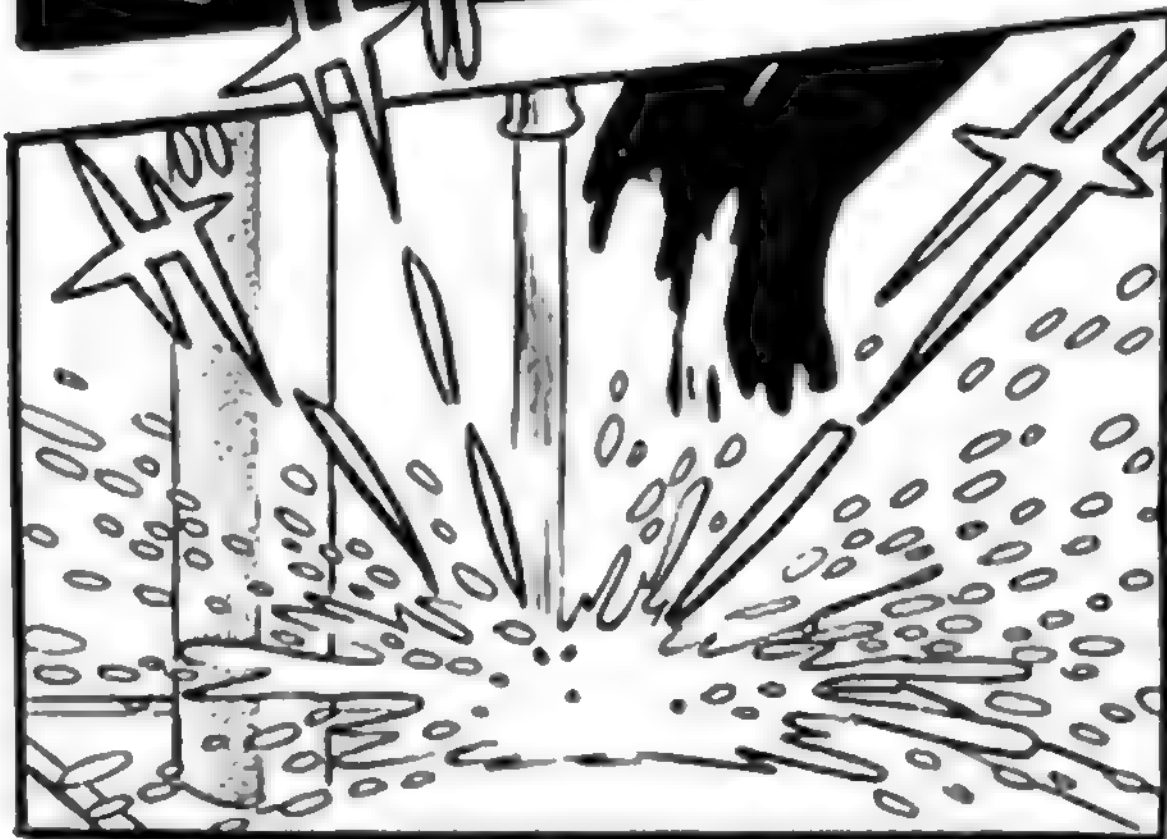
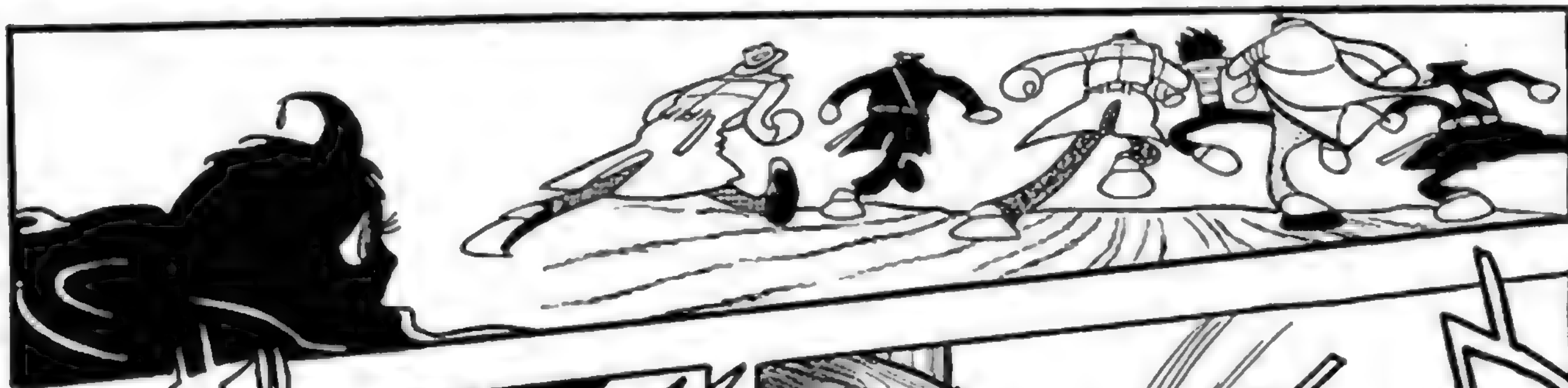






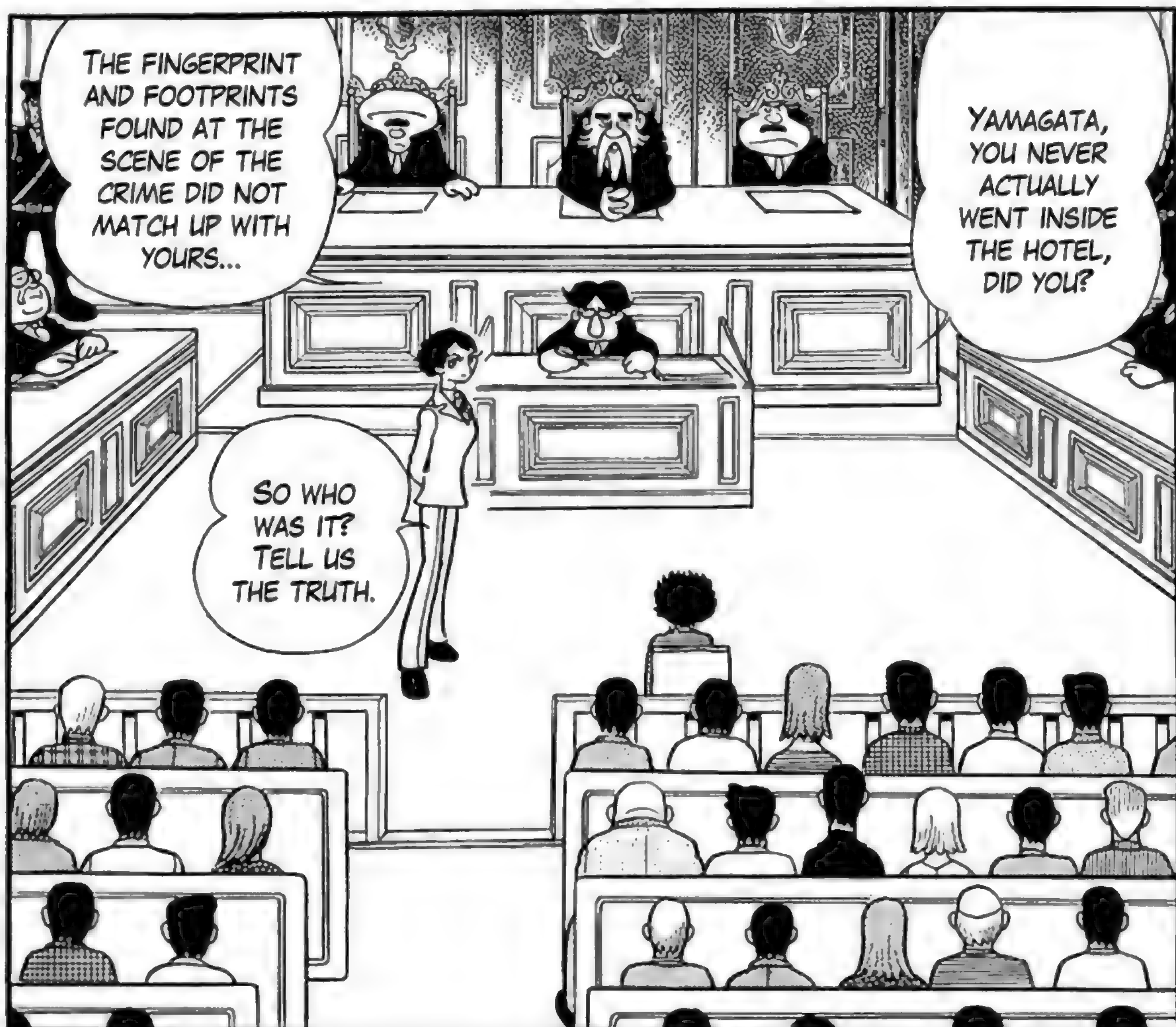




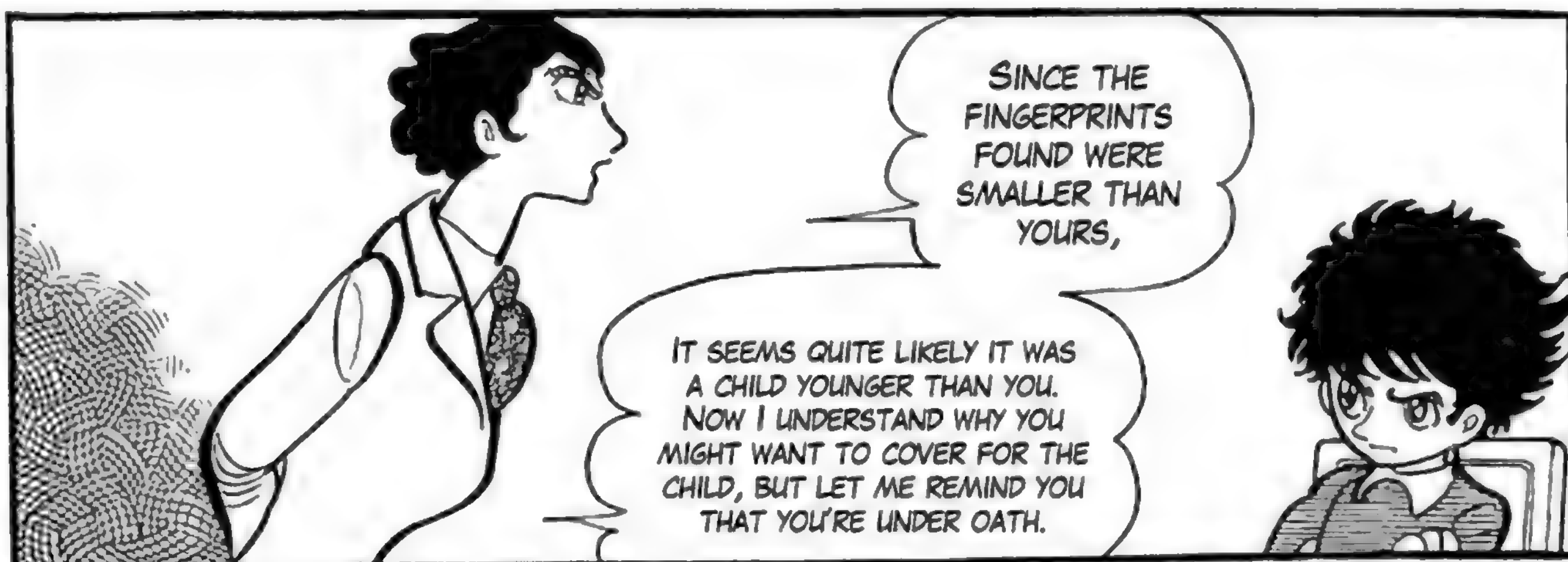


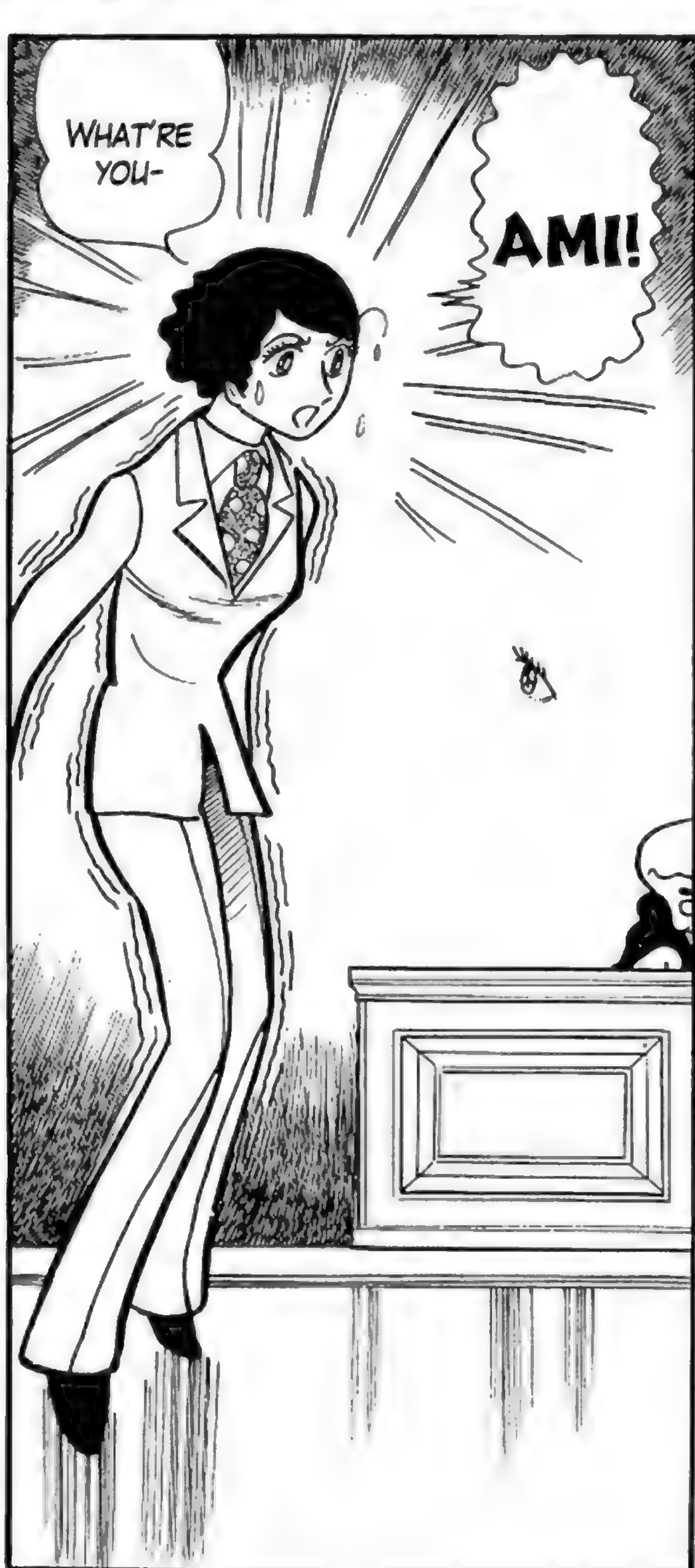












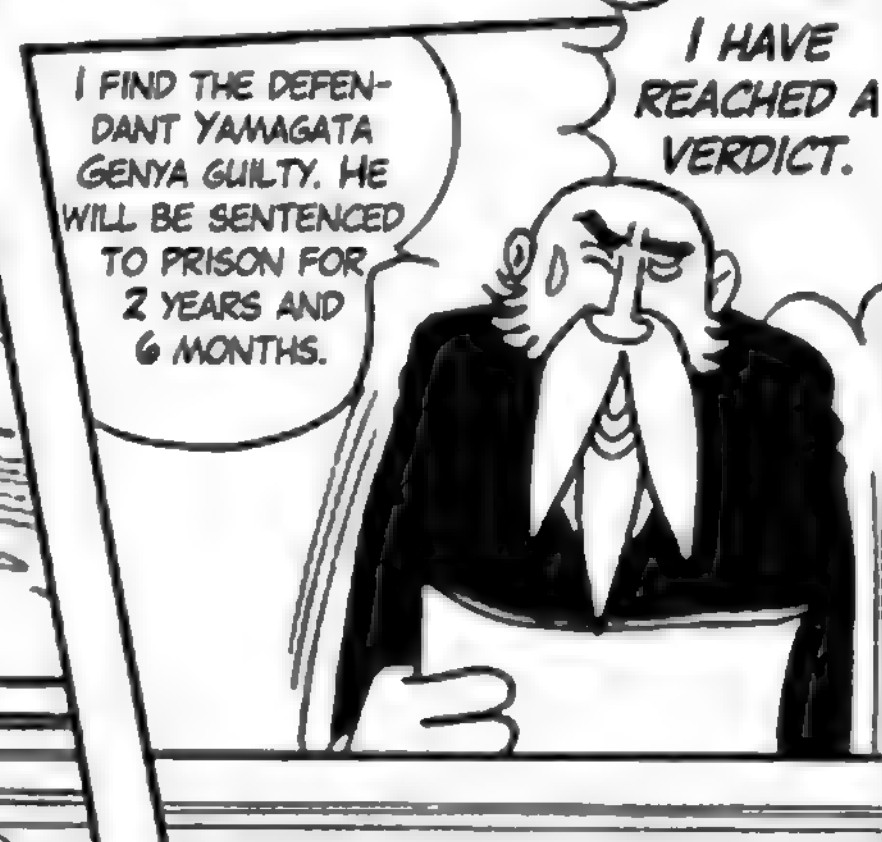
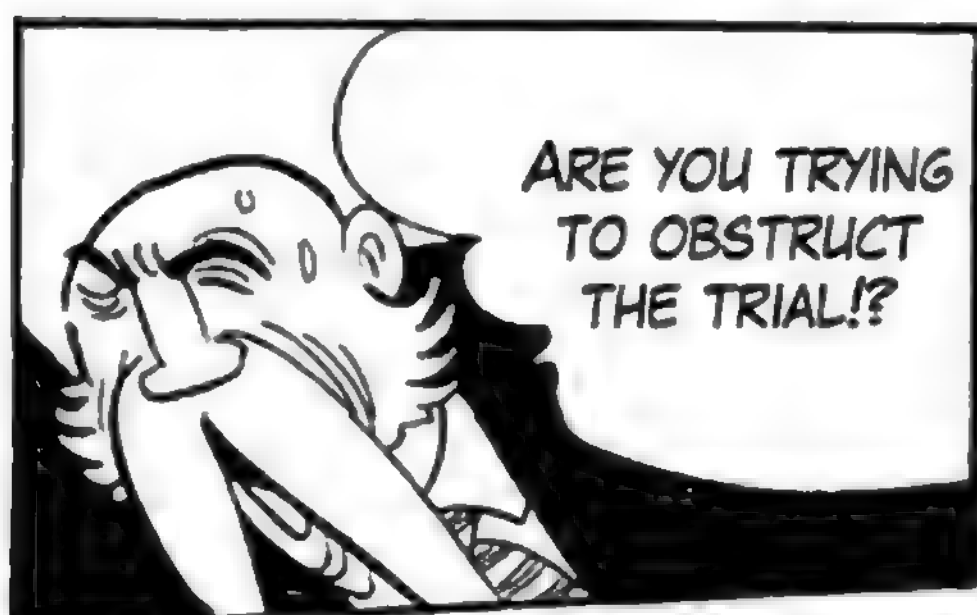
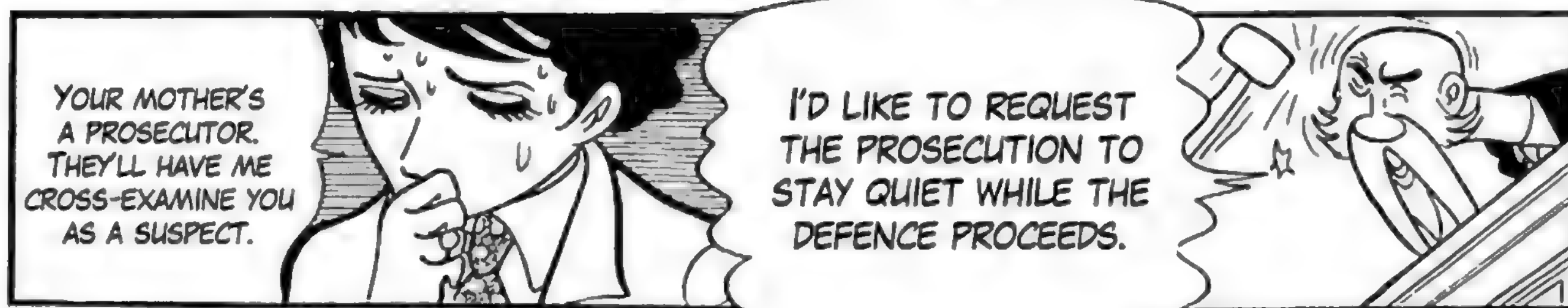




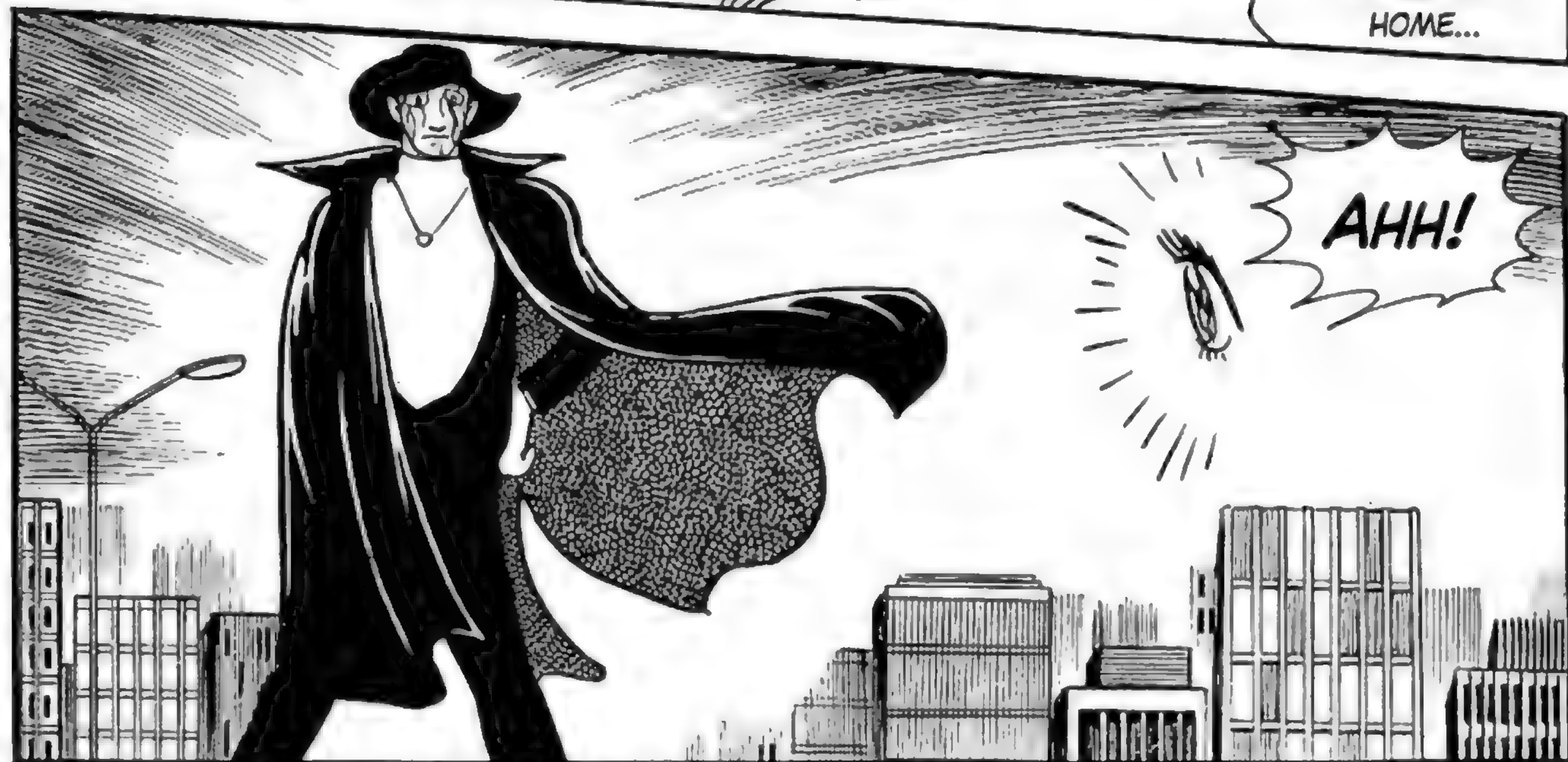
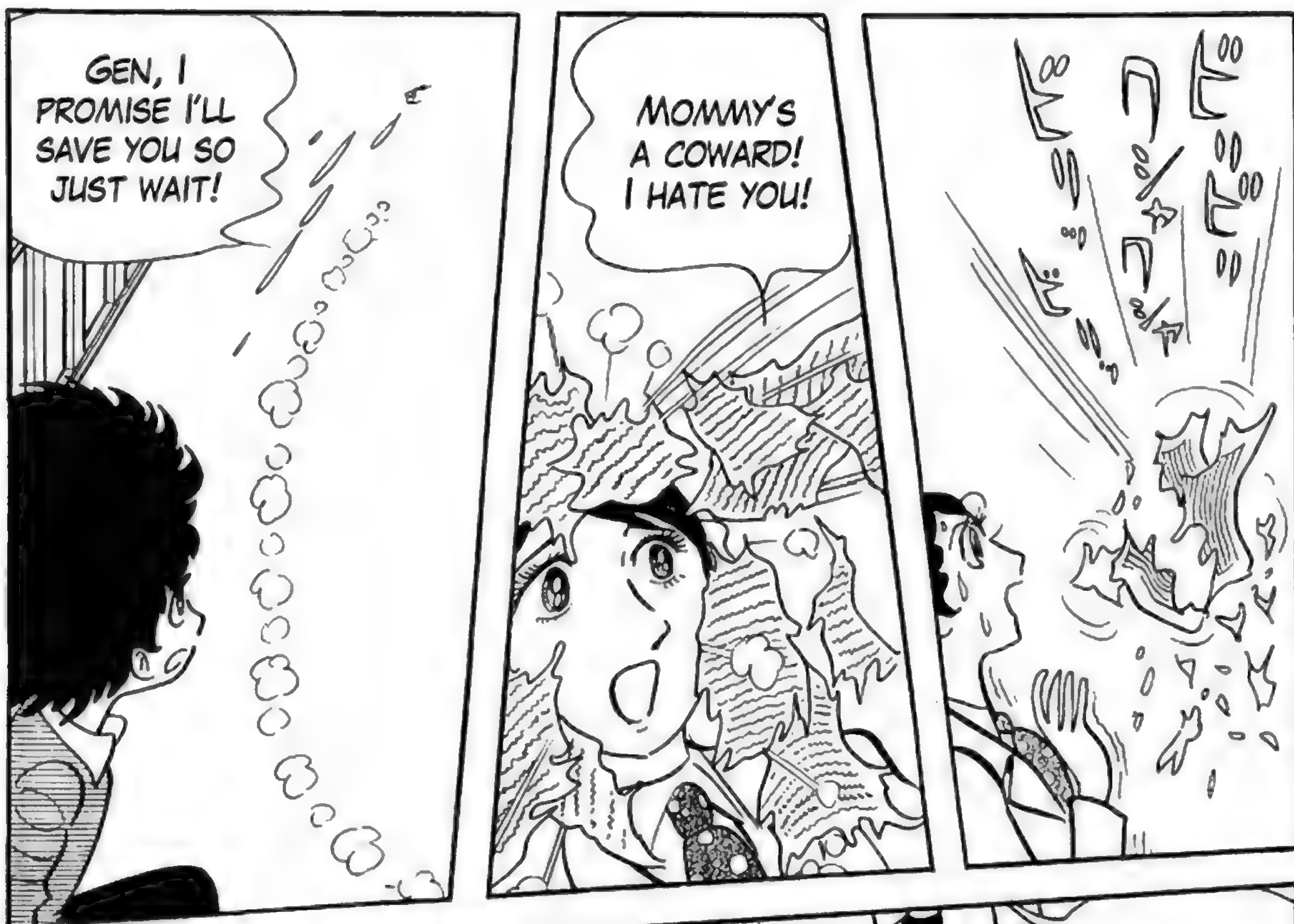










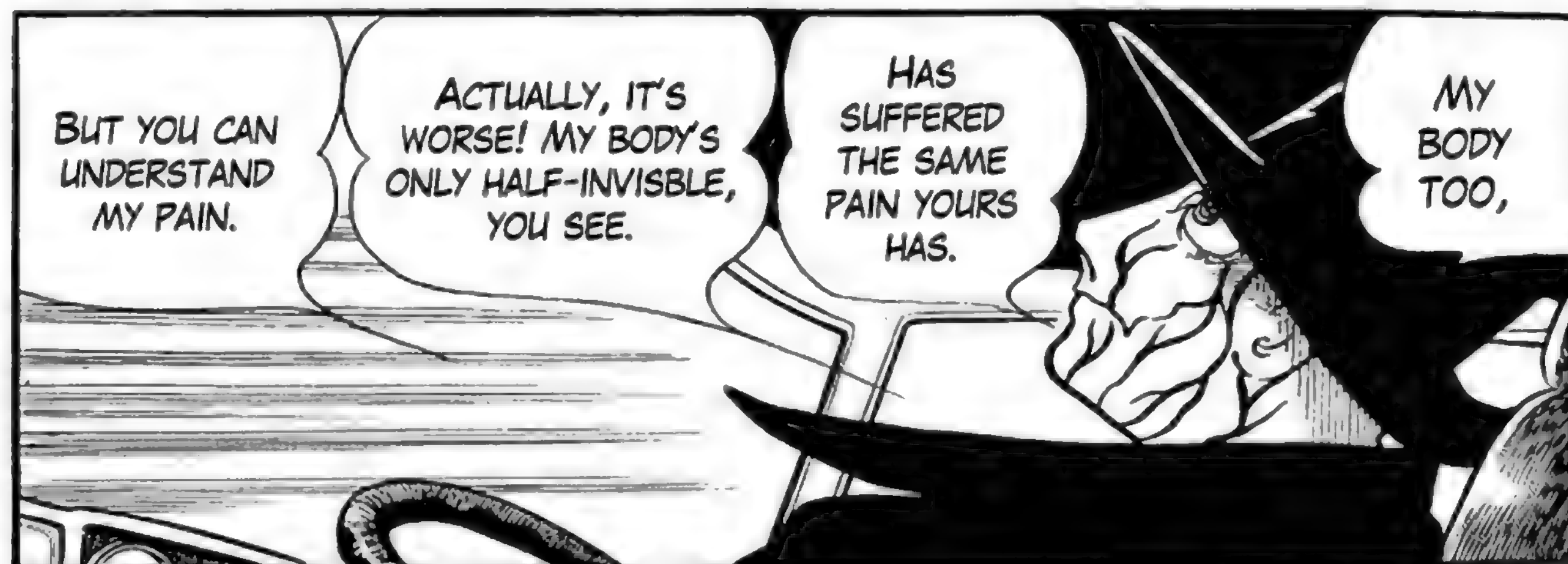


















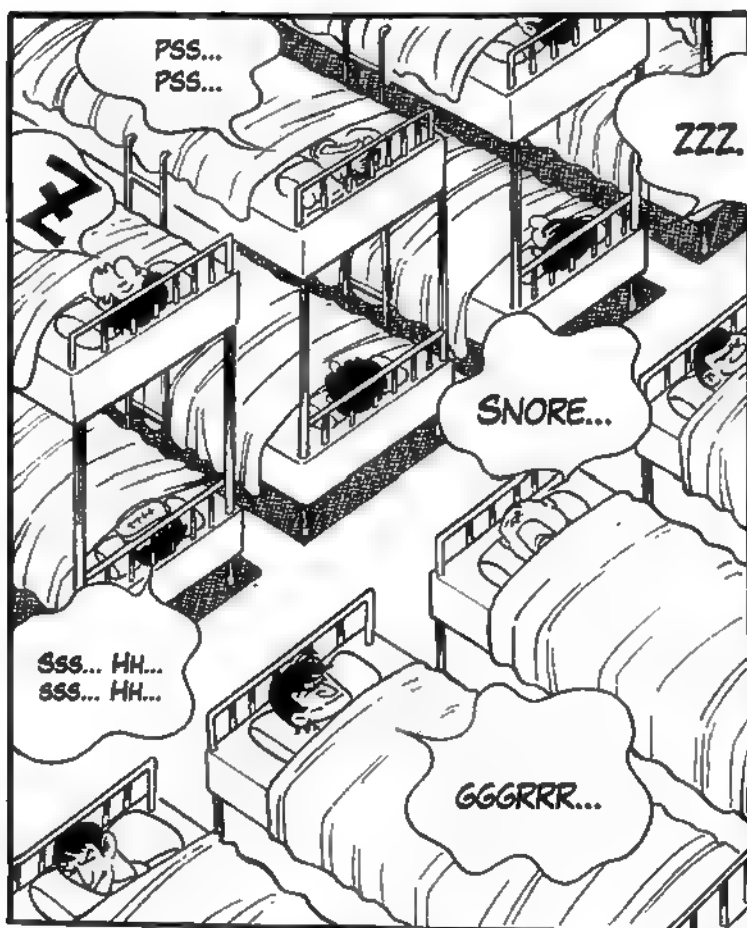
WHILE  
KANIHEI GAZED AT  
THE STARRY SKY,  
MRS. OZAWA CONT-  
INUED TO WAIT FOR  
AMI DOWNSTAIRS.  
BUT SHE DID NOT  
RETURN THE NEXT  
MORNING, OR THE  
MORNING AFTER  
THAT, OR EVEN  
THE MORNING  
AFTER THAT...





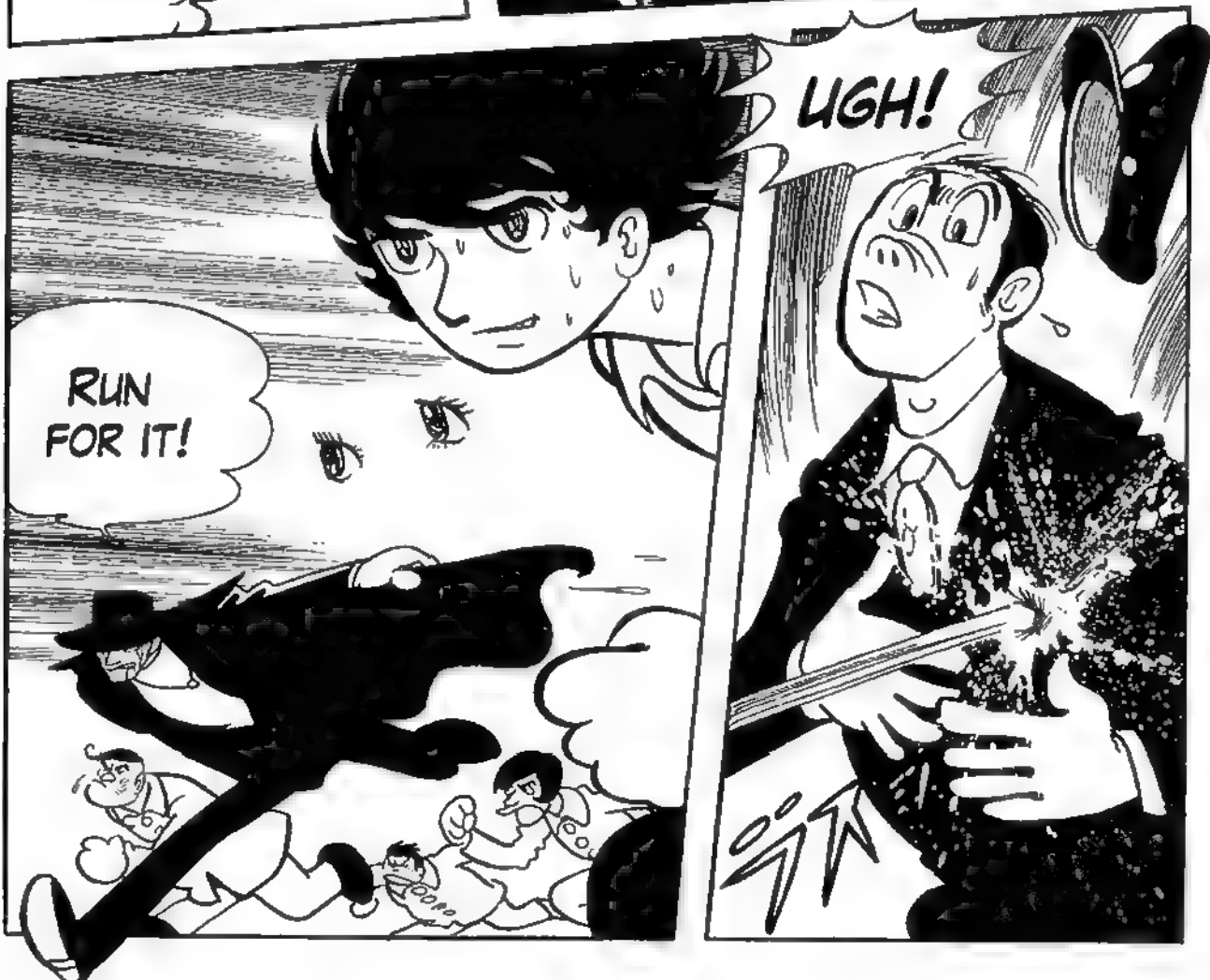
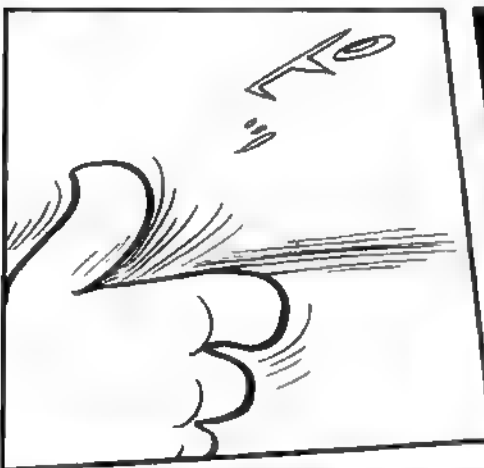
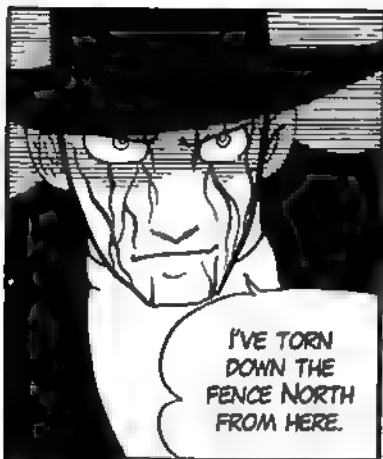
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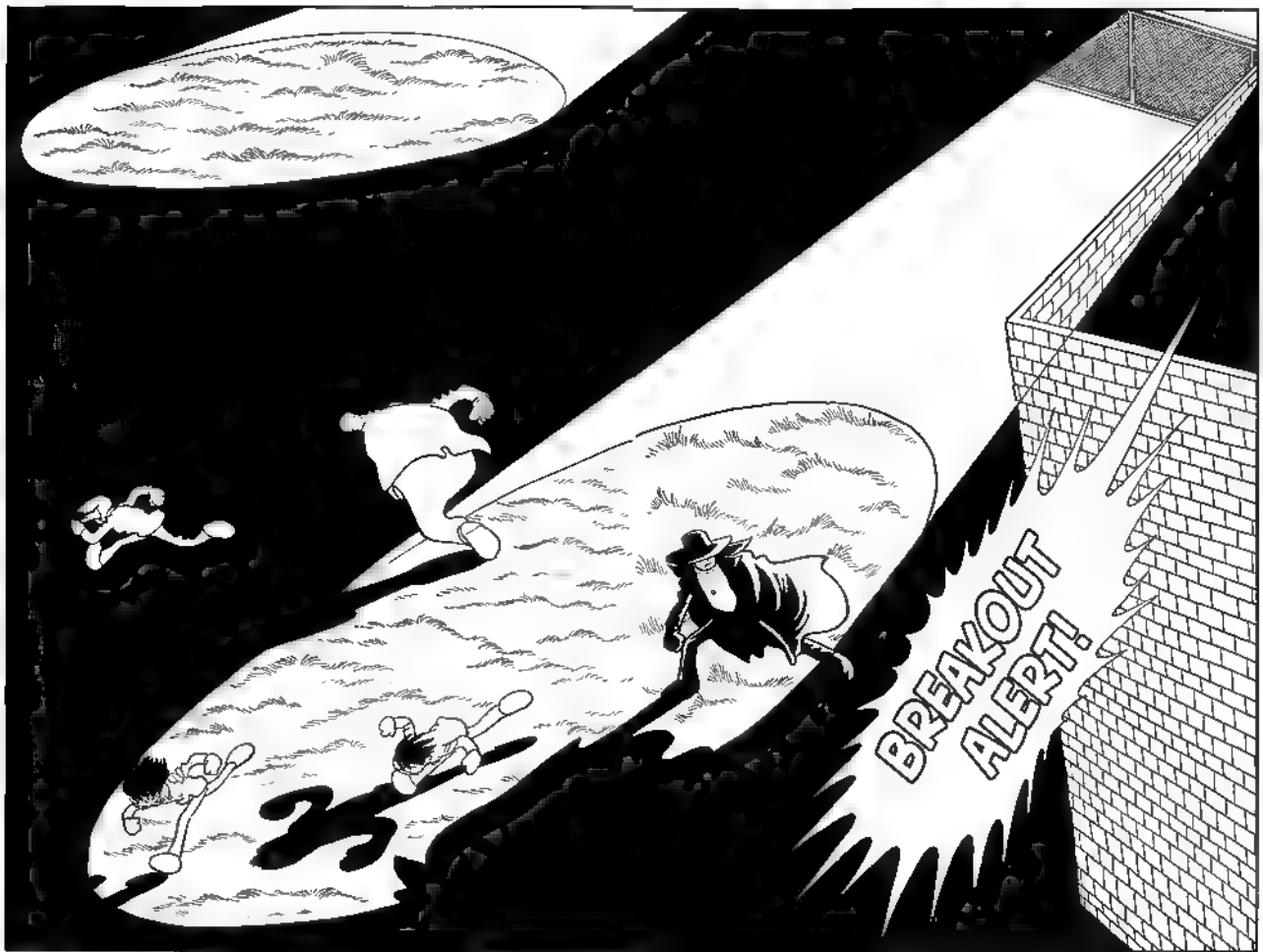






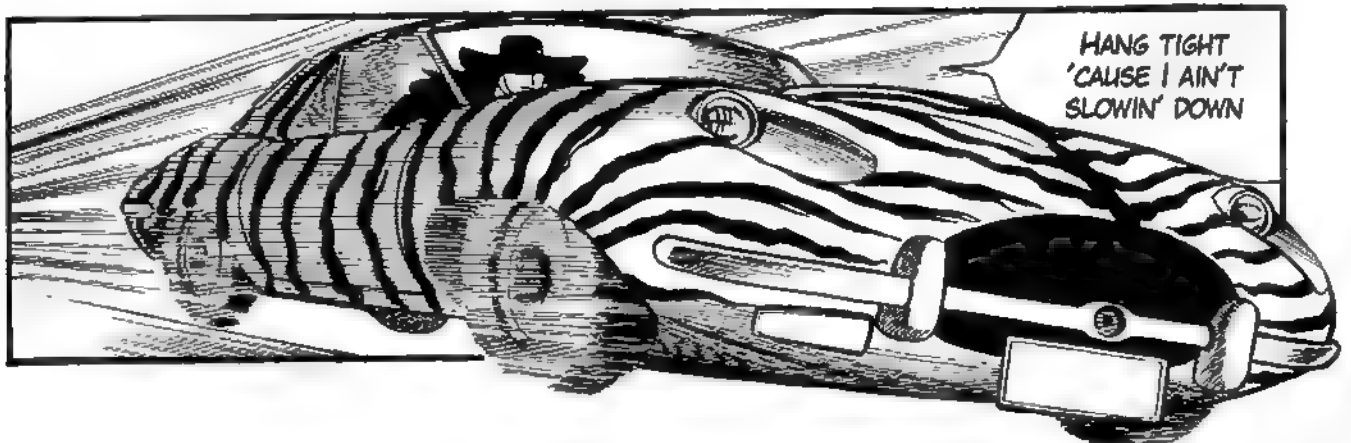
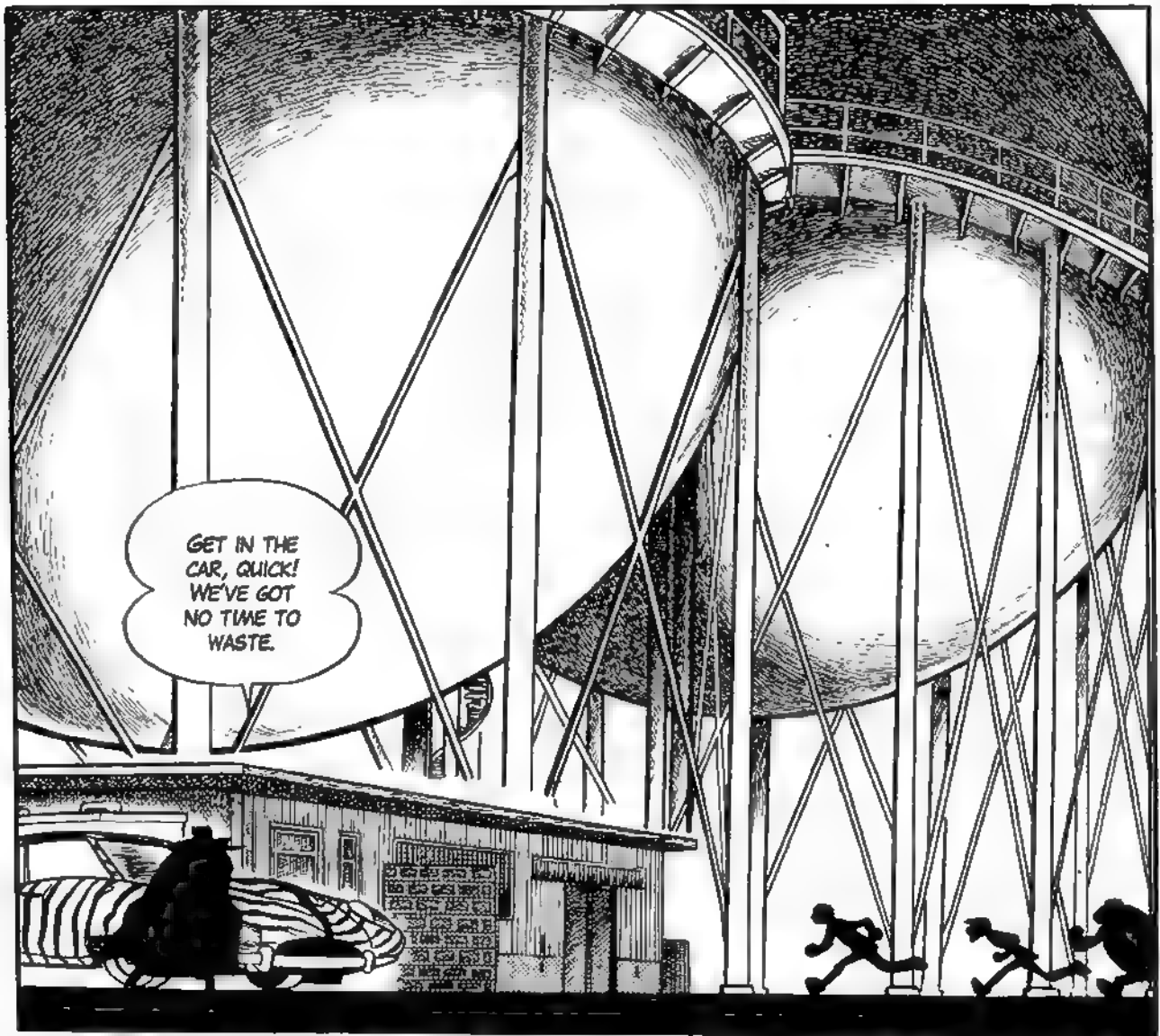




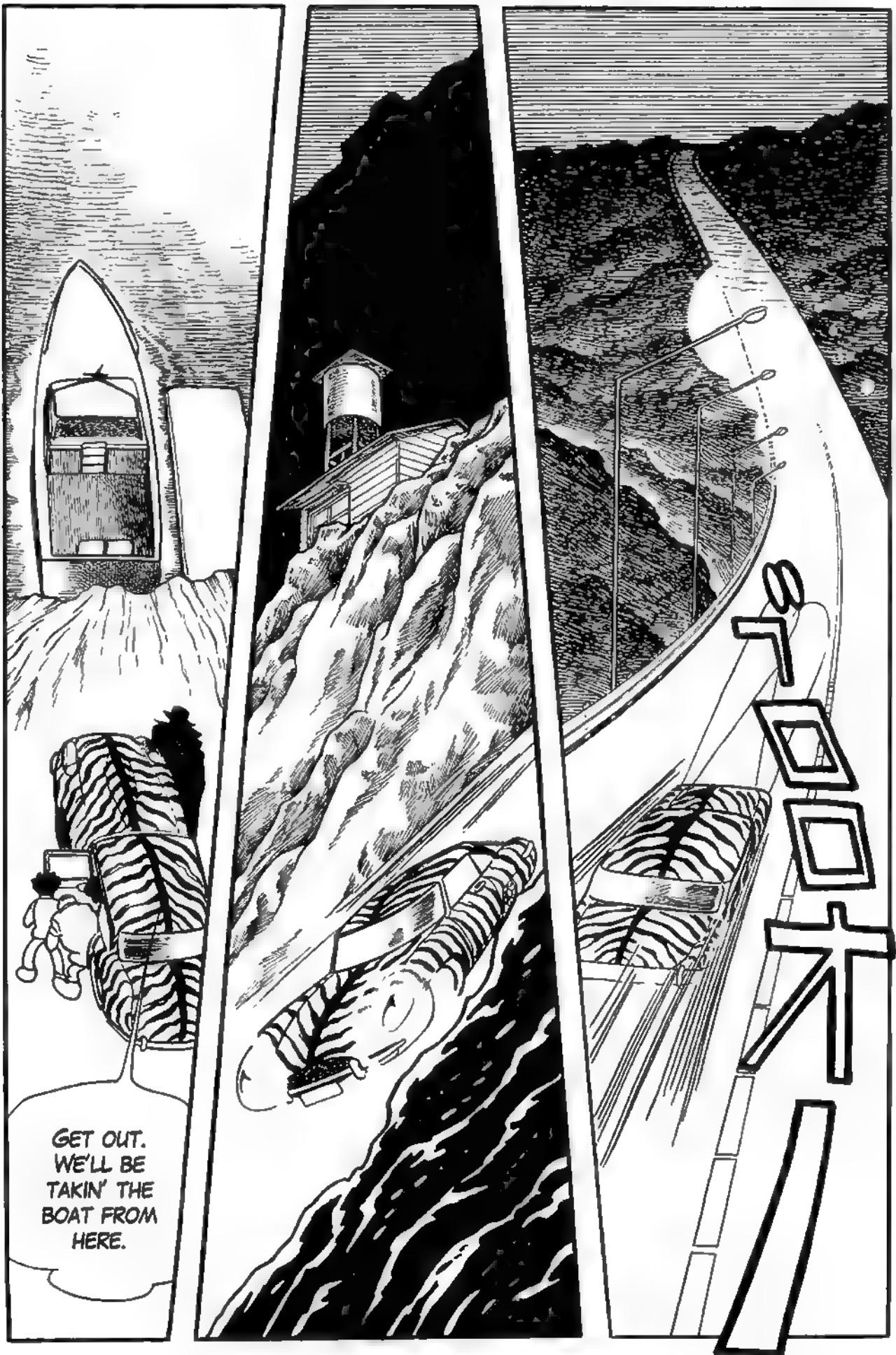


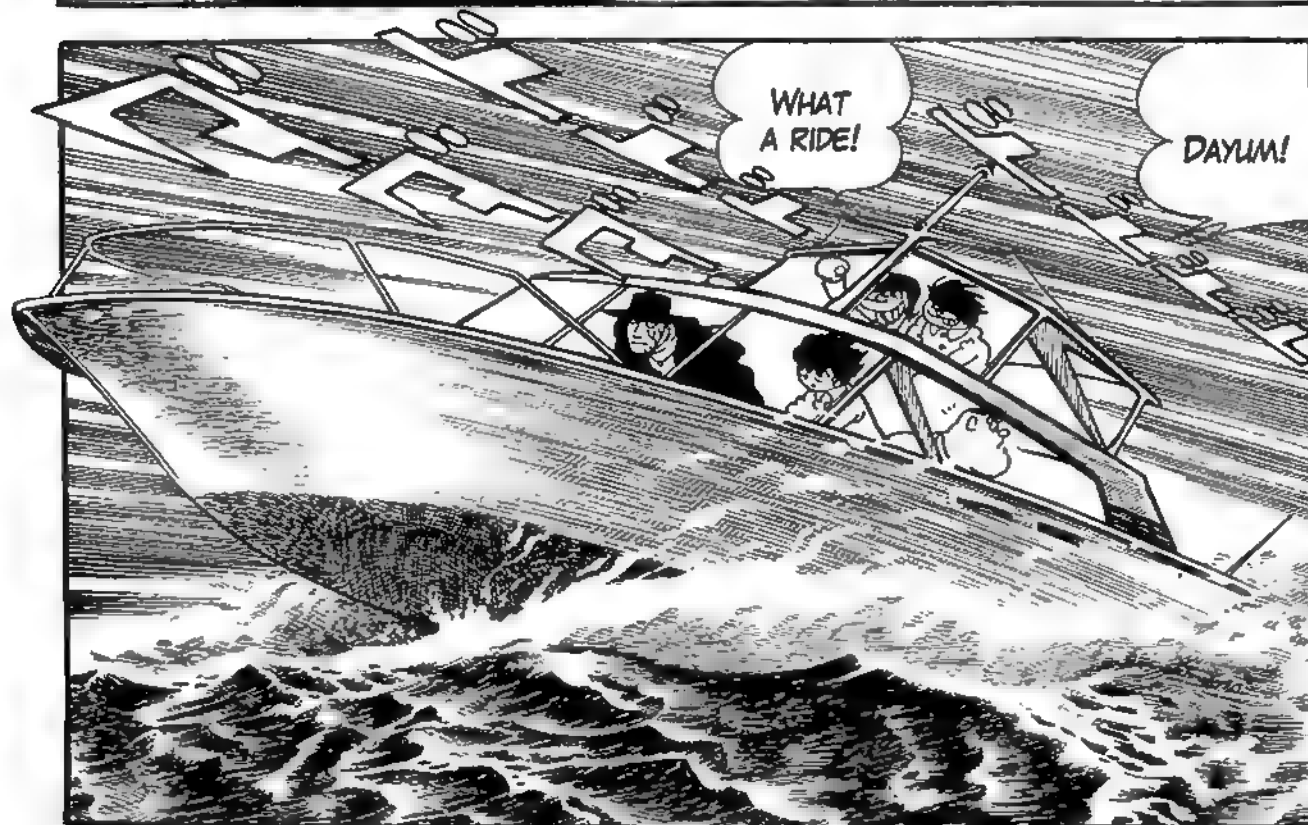




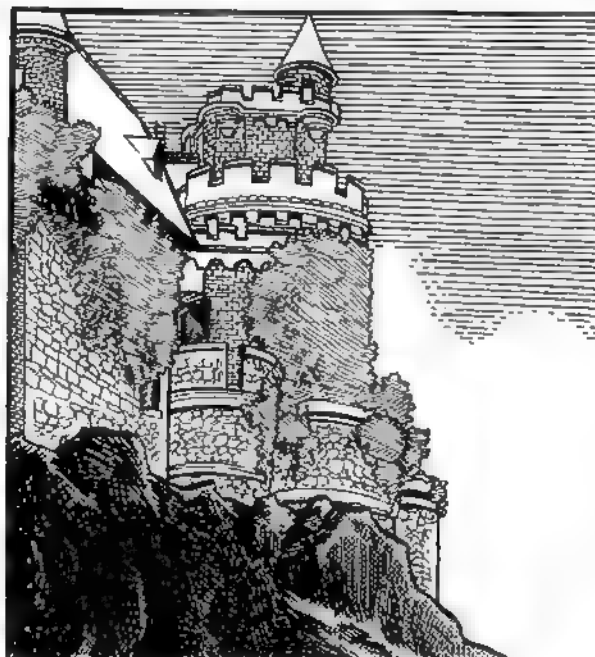
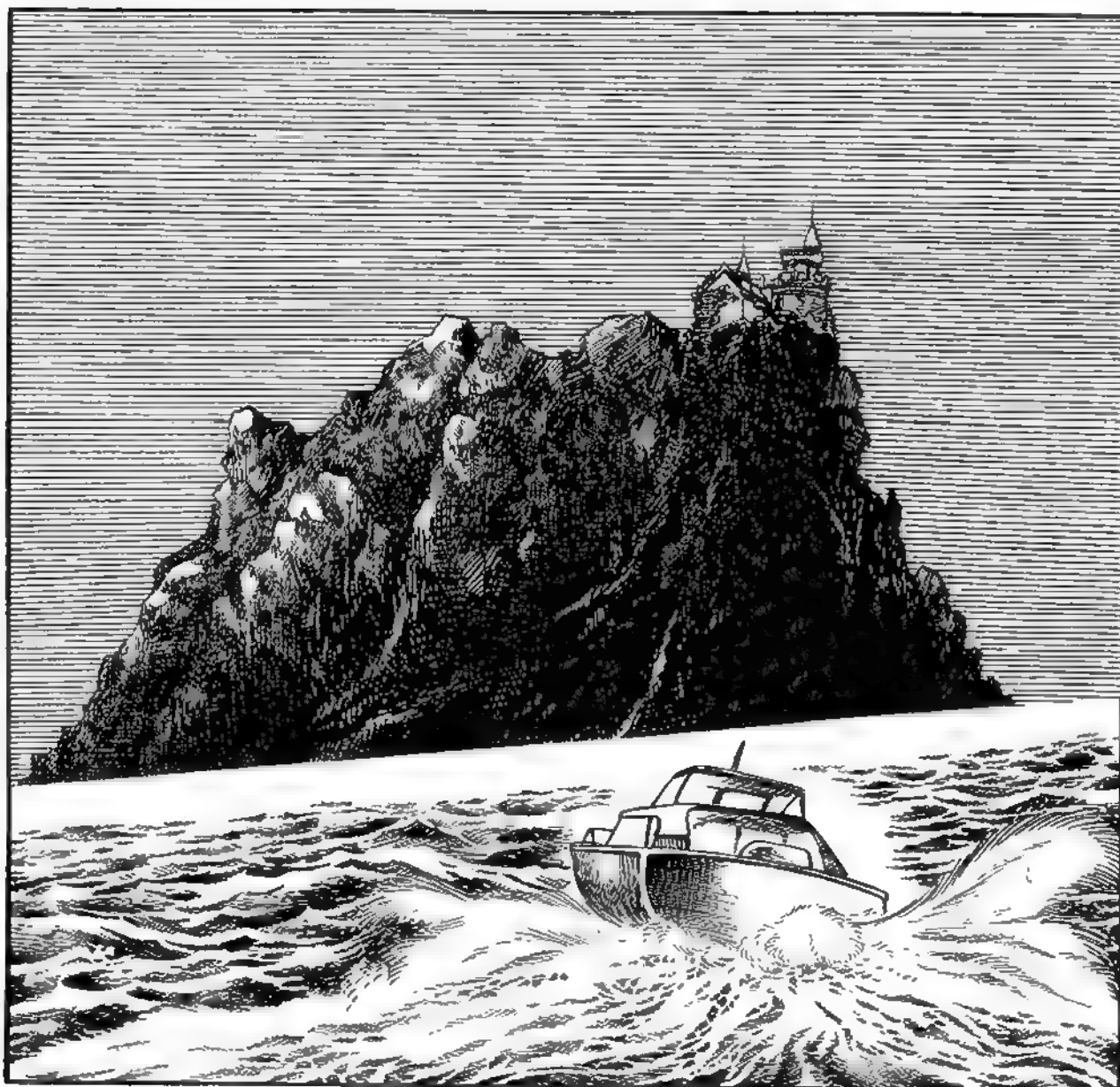


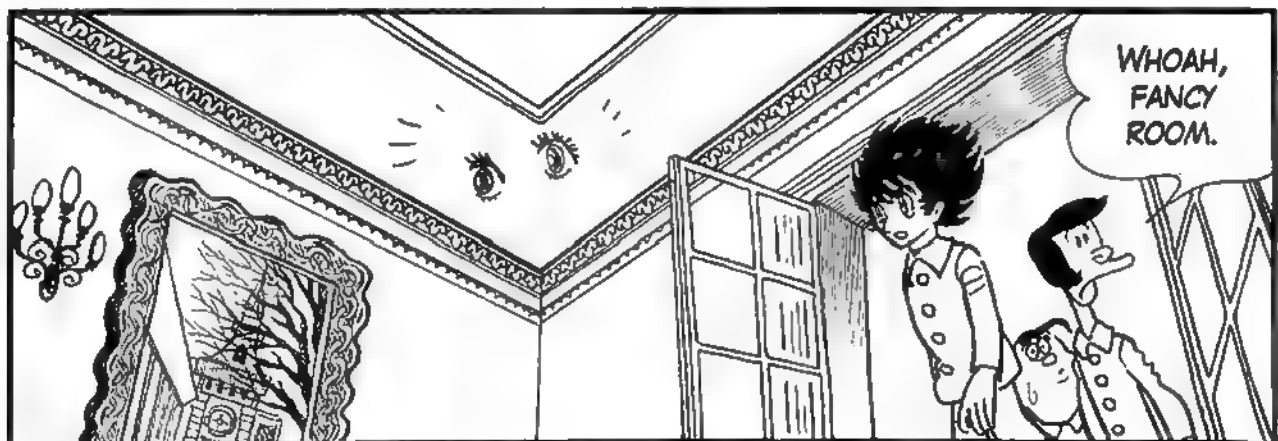








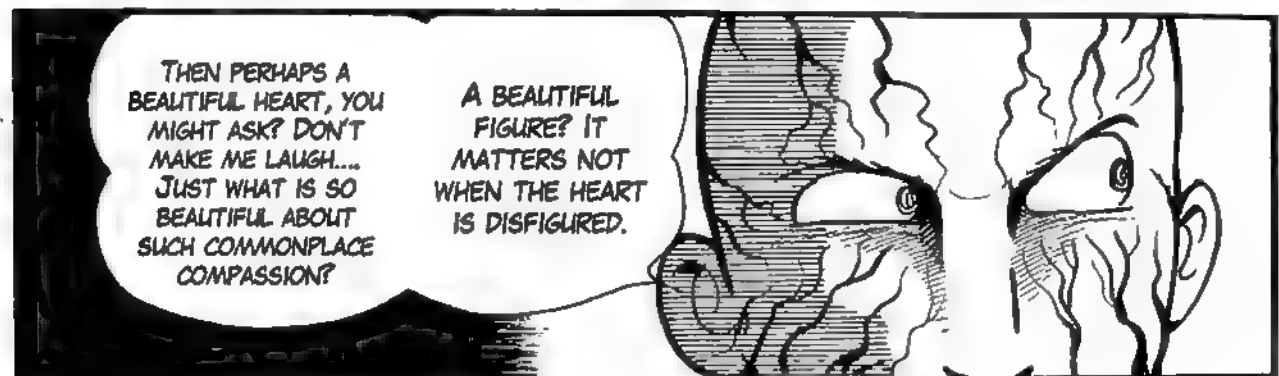
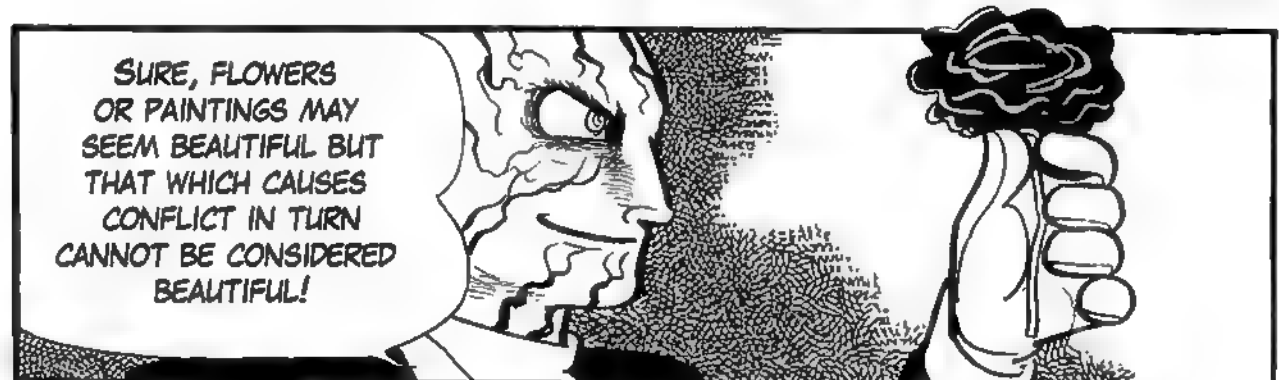
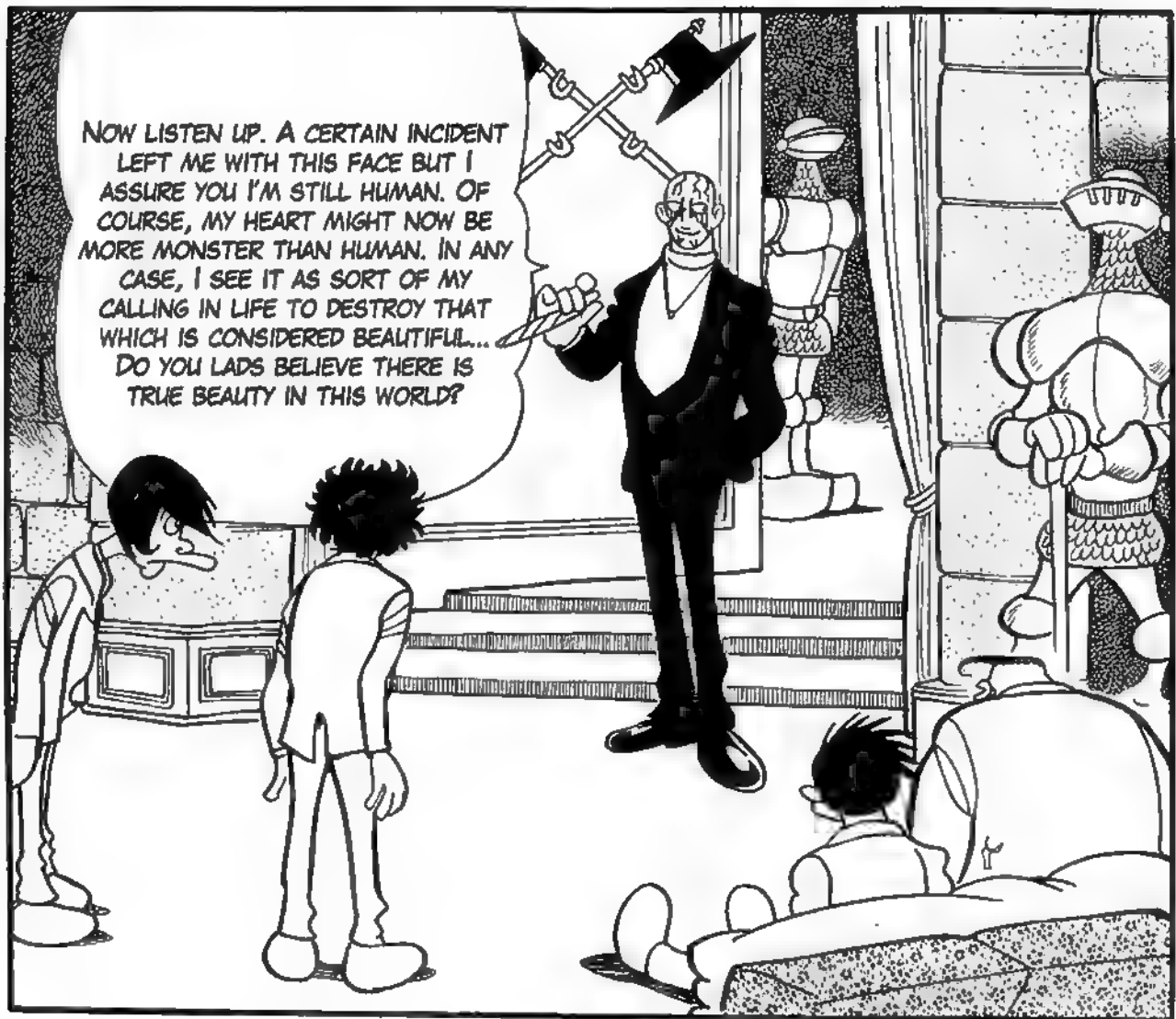


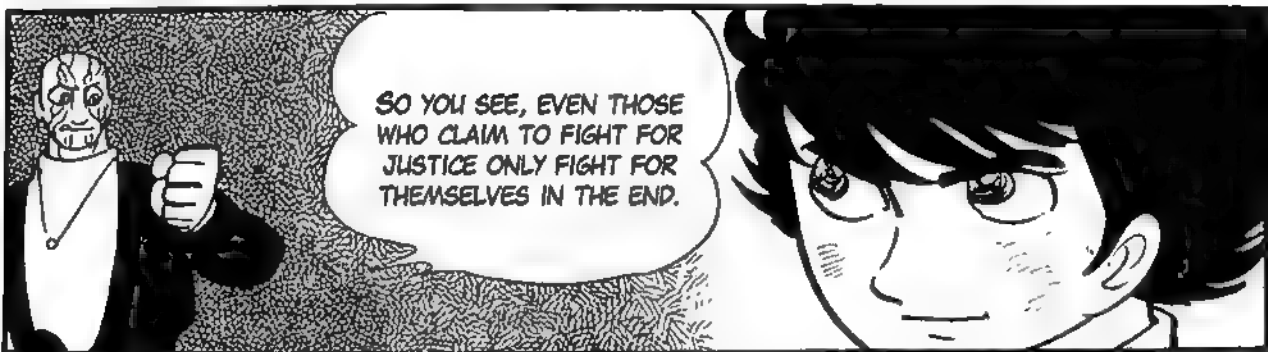


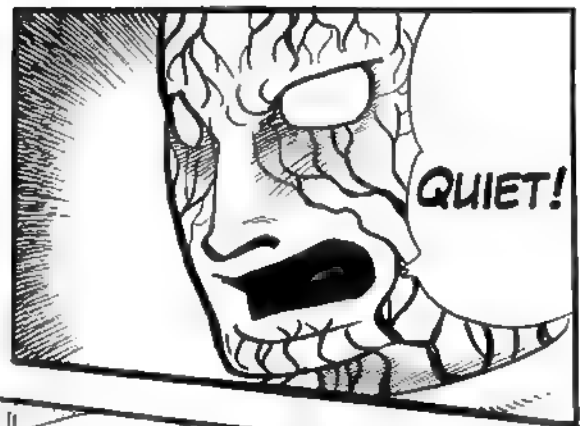
TL NOTE: KIGAN CAN MEAN BIZARRE FACE











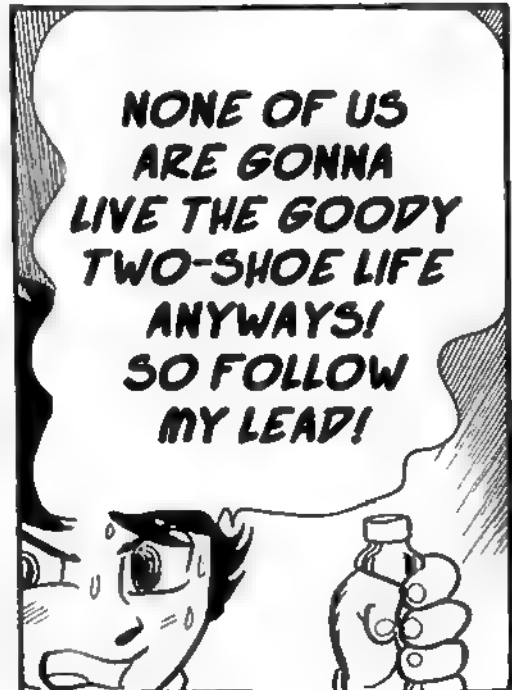
IF YOU'VE GOT THE GUTS, THAT IS...

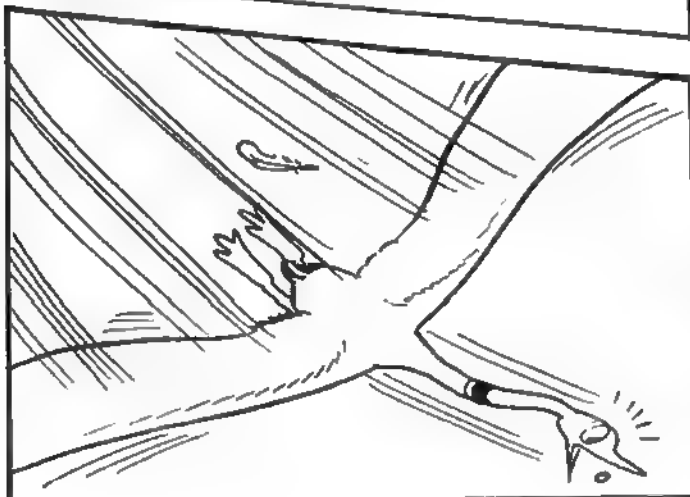
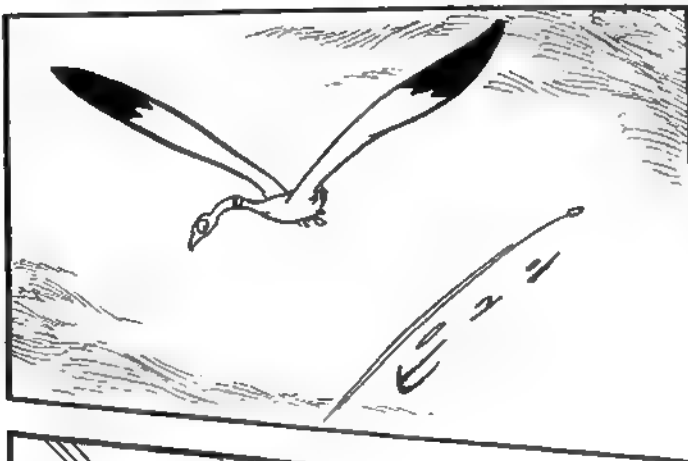
YOU WILL HELP ME OUT

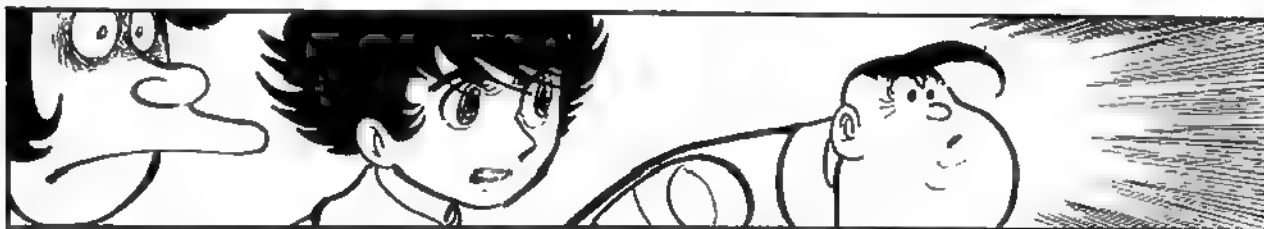
AS FOR THE REST OF YOU...





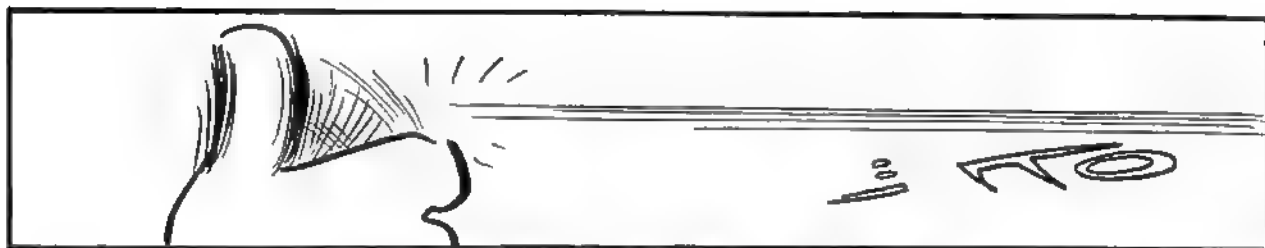


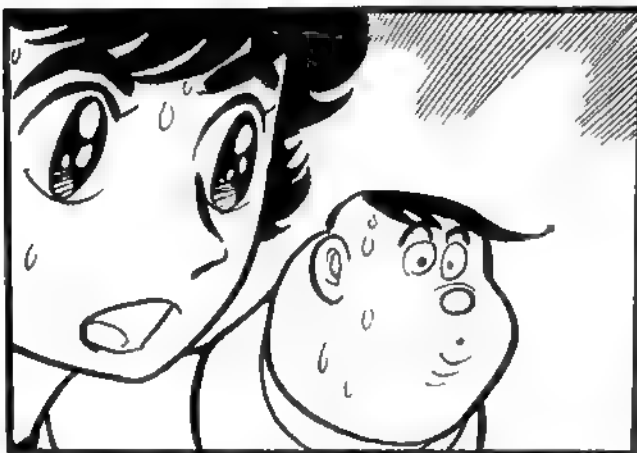






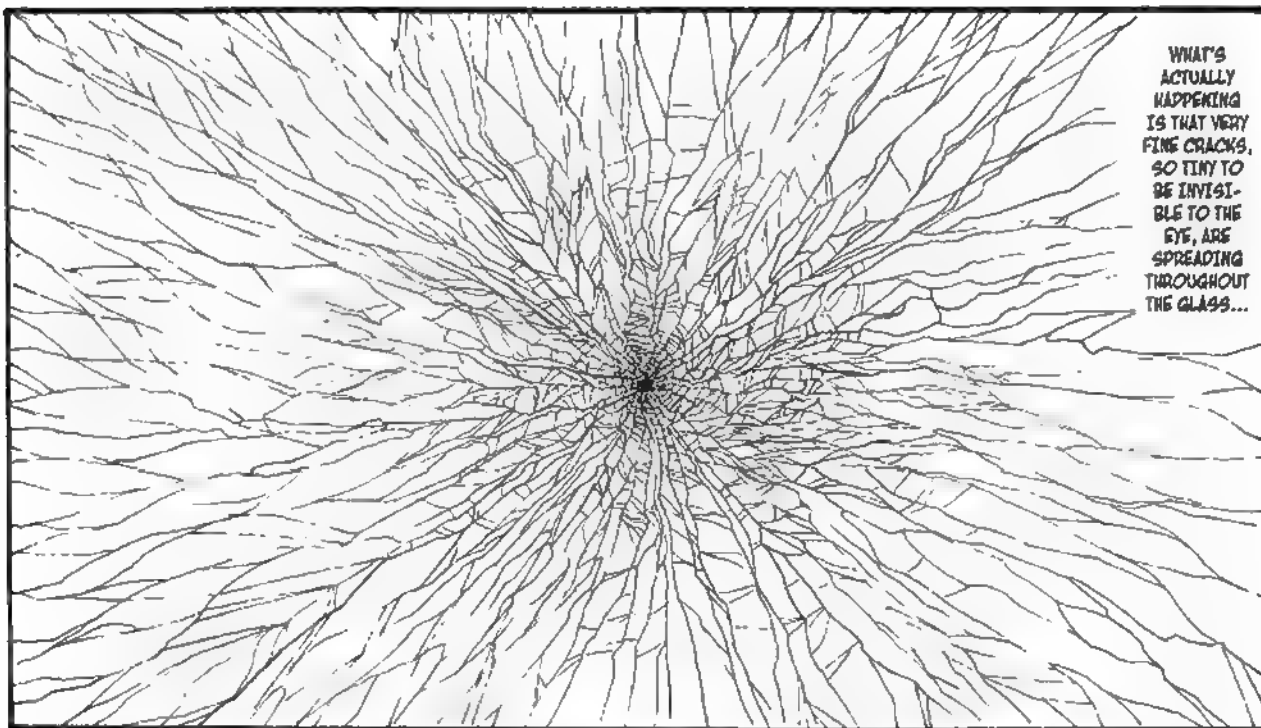




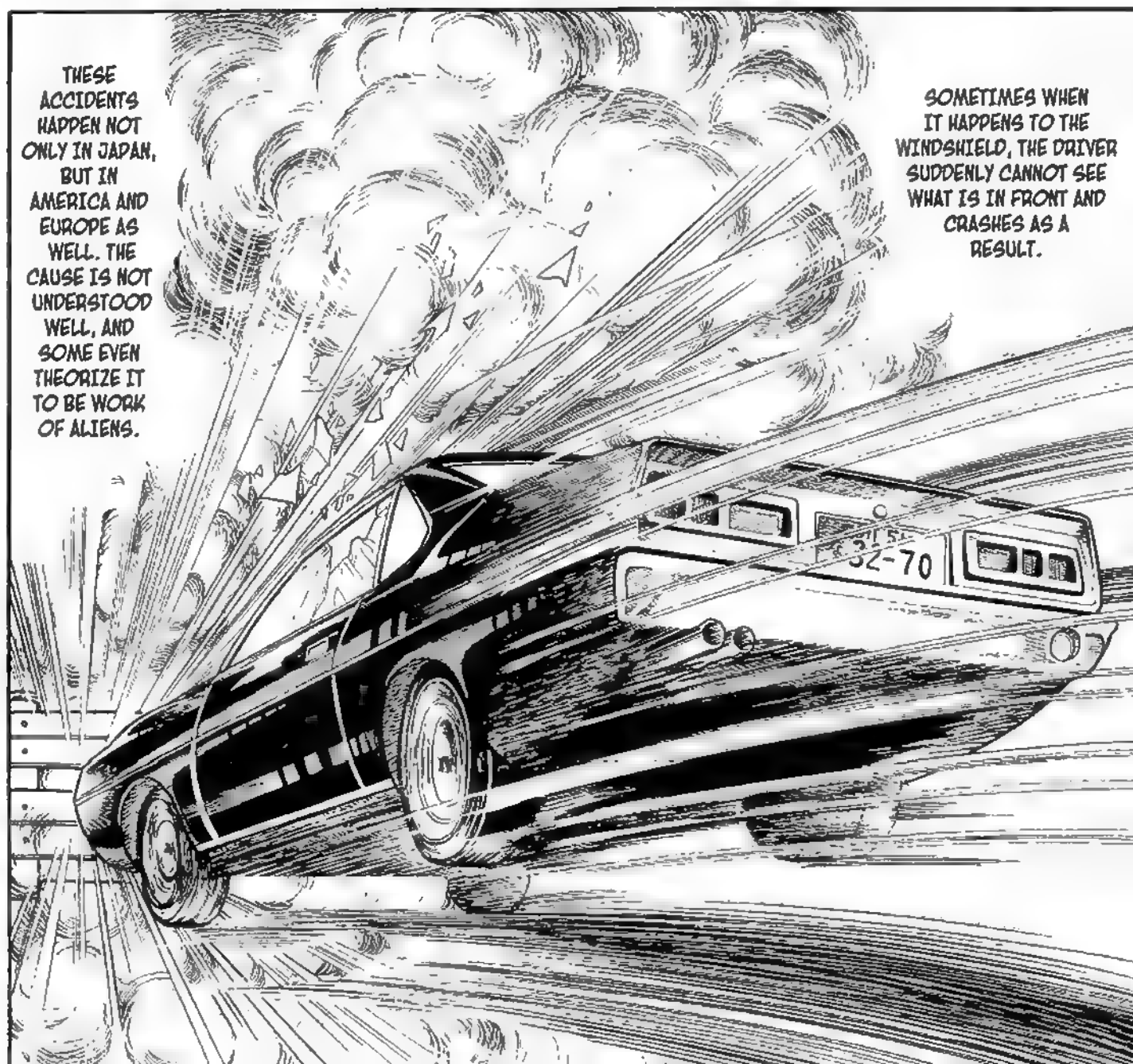






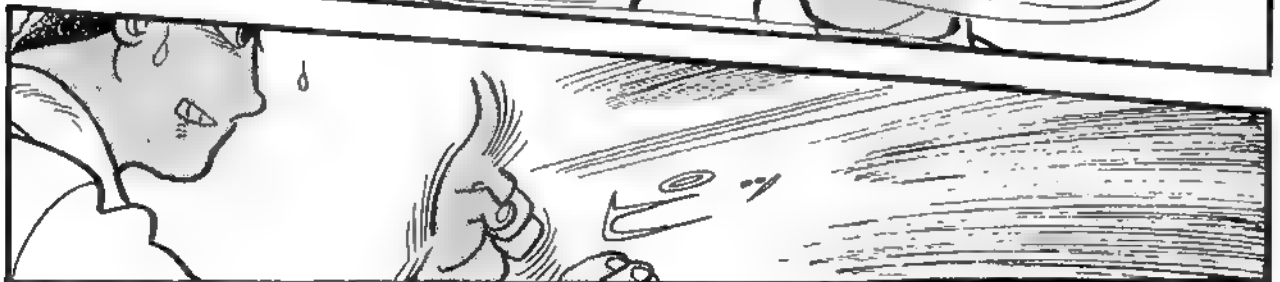
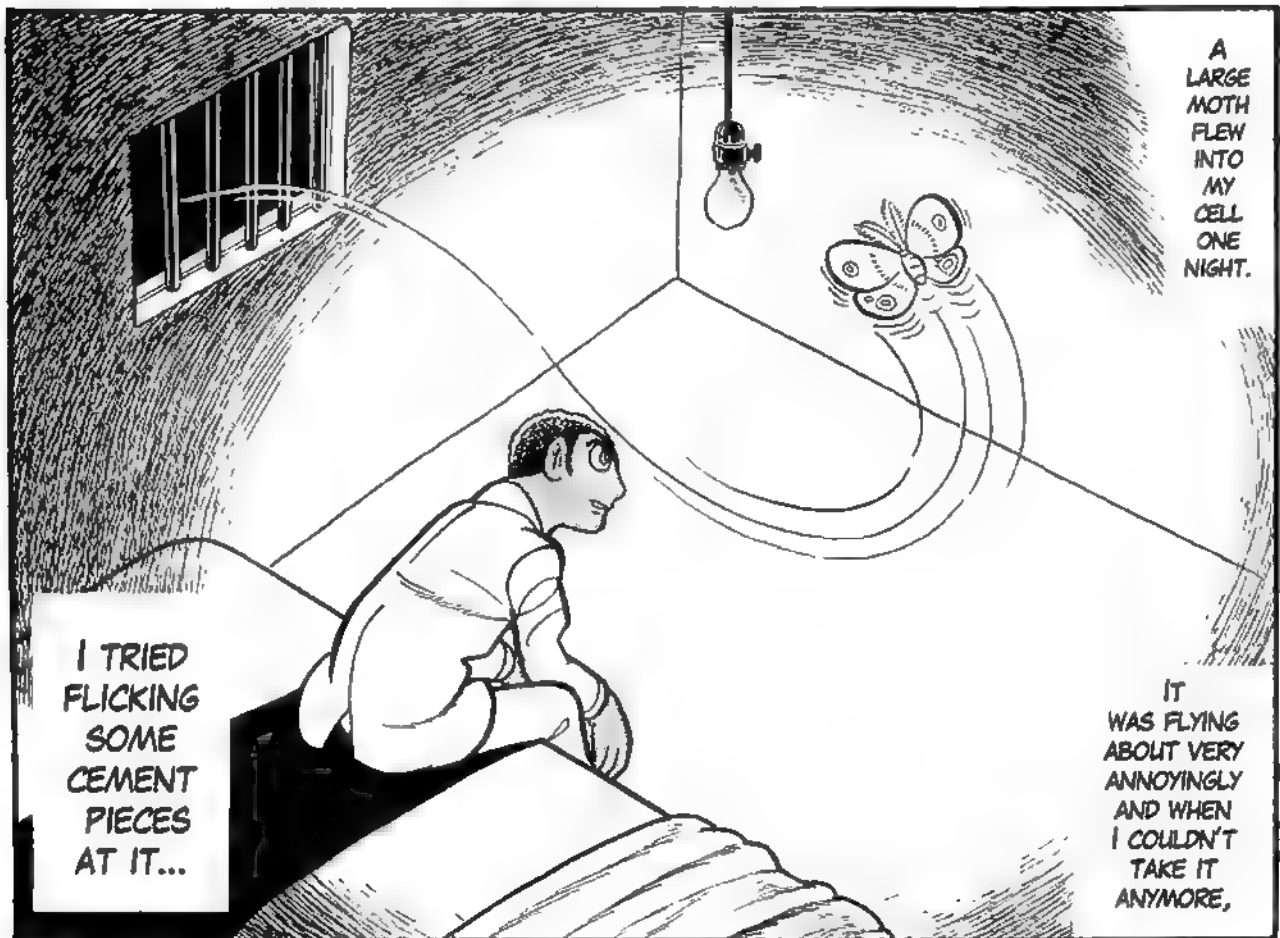


WHAT'S ACTUALLY HAPPENING IS THAT VERY FINE CRACKS, SO TINY TO BE INVISIBLE TO THE EYE, ARE SPREADING THROUGHOUT THE GLASS...



THESE ACCIDENTS HAPPEN NOT ONLY IN JAPAN, BUT IN AMERICA AND EUROPE AS WELL. THE CAUSE IS NOT UNDERSTOOD WELL, AND SOME EVEN THEORIZE IT TO BE WORK OF ALIENS.

SOMETIMES WHEN IT HAPPENS TO THE WINDSHIELD, THE DRIVER SUDDENLY CANNOT SEE WHAT IS IN FRONT AND CRASHES AS A RESULT.

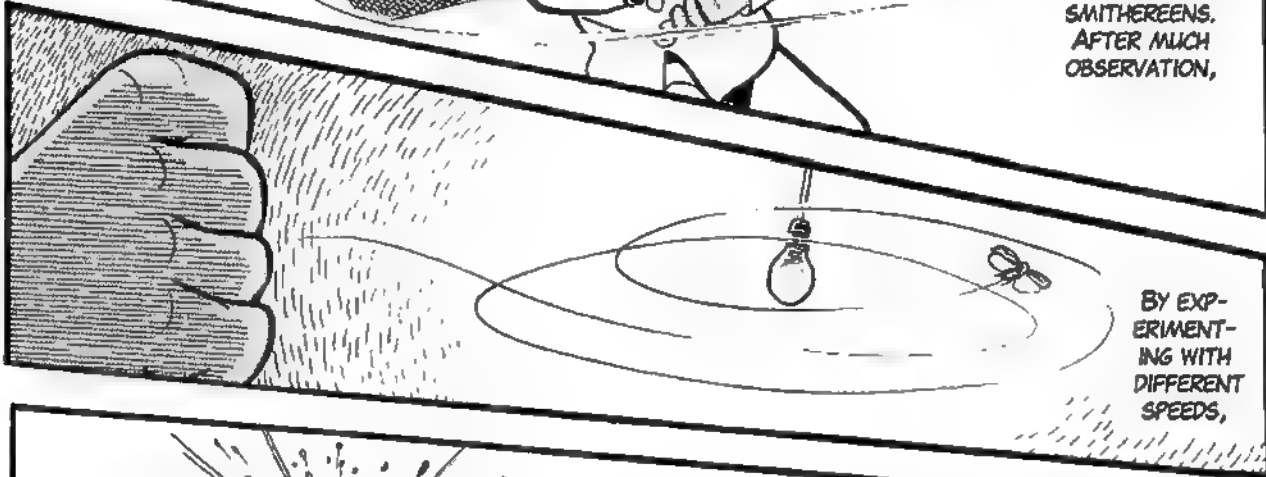




I REALIZED IT  
DEPENDS ON  
HOW I FLICKED  
IT, THE SPEED  
OF THE  
OBJECT, AND  
THE SPEED OF  
THE INSECT.



BUT AROUND 1  
OUT OF EVERY  
300 TIMES, THE  
INSECT BLEW  
UP INTO  
SMITHEREENS.  
AFTER MUCH  
OBSERVATION,



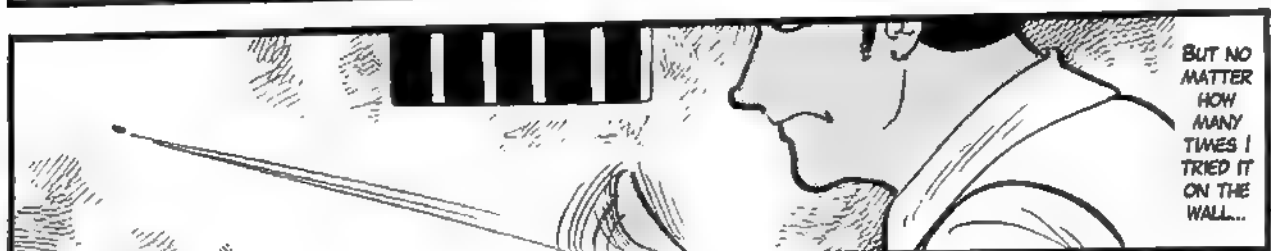
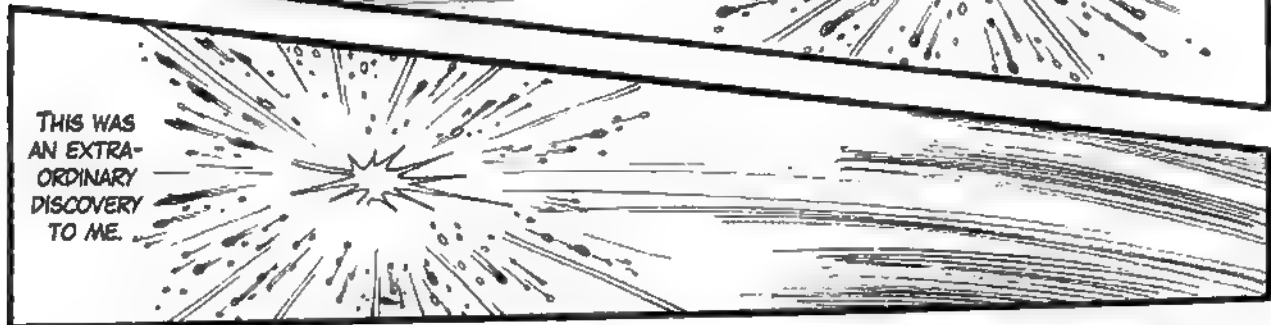
BY EXP-  
ERIMENT-  
ING WITH  
DIFFERENT  
SPEEDS,



I EVENTUALLY BECAME QUITE  
PROFICIENT AT MEETING THE  
3 PREREQUISITE CONDITIONS.

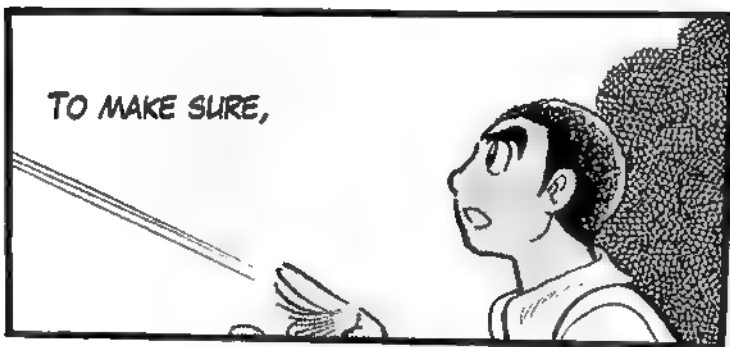


THIS WAS  
AN EXTRA-  
ORDINARY  
DISCOVERY  
TO ME.

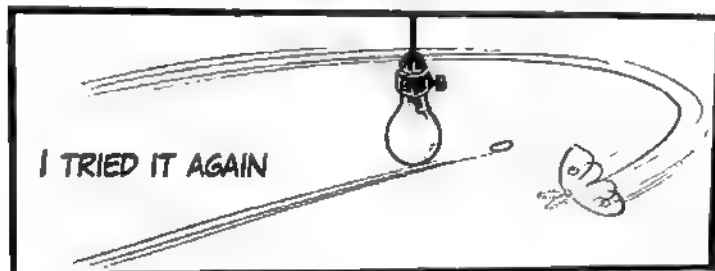


BUT NO  
MATTER  
HOW  
MANY  
TIMES I  
TRIED IT  
ON THE  
WALL...

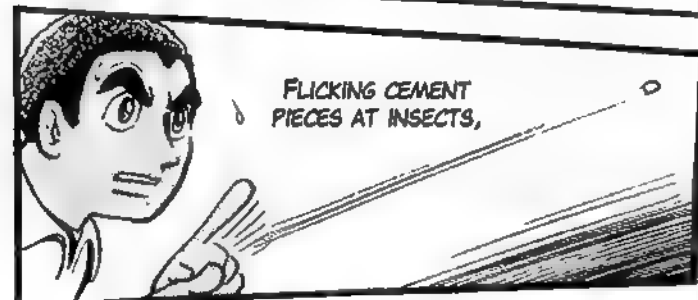
TO MAKE SURE,



I TRIED IT AGAIN



FLICKING CEMENT  
PIECES AT INSECTS,



NIGHT  
AFTER  
NIGHT.



MOST OF  
THE TIME,  
THE INSECTS  
I HIT DIED  
NORMALLY.



I WAS  
COMP-  
LETELY  
DUMB-  
FOUNDED  
BY WHAT  
HAPPENED.



WHEN I HIT  
IT, THE MOTH  
BLEW UP INTO  
SMITHEREENS.

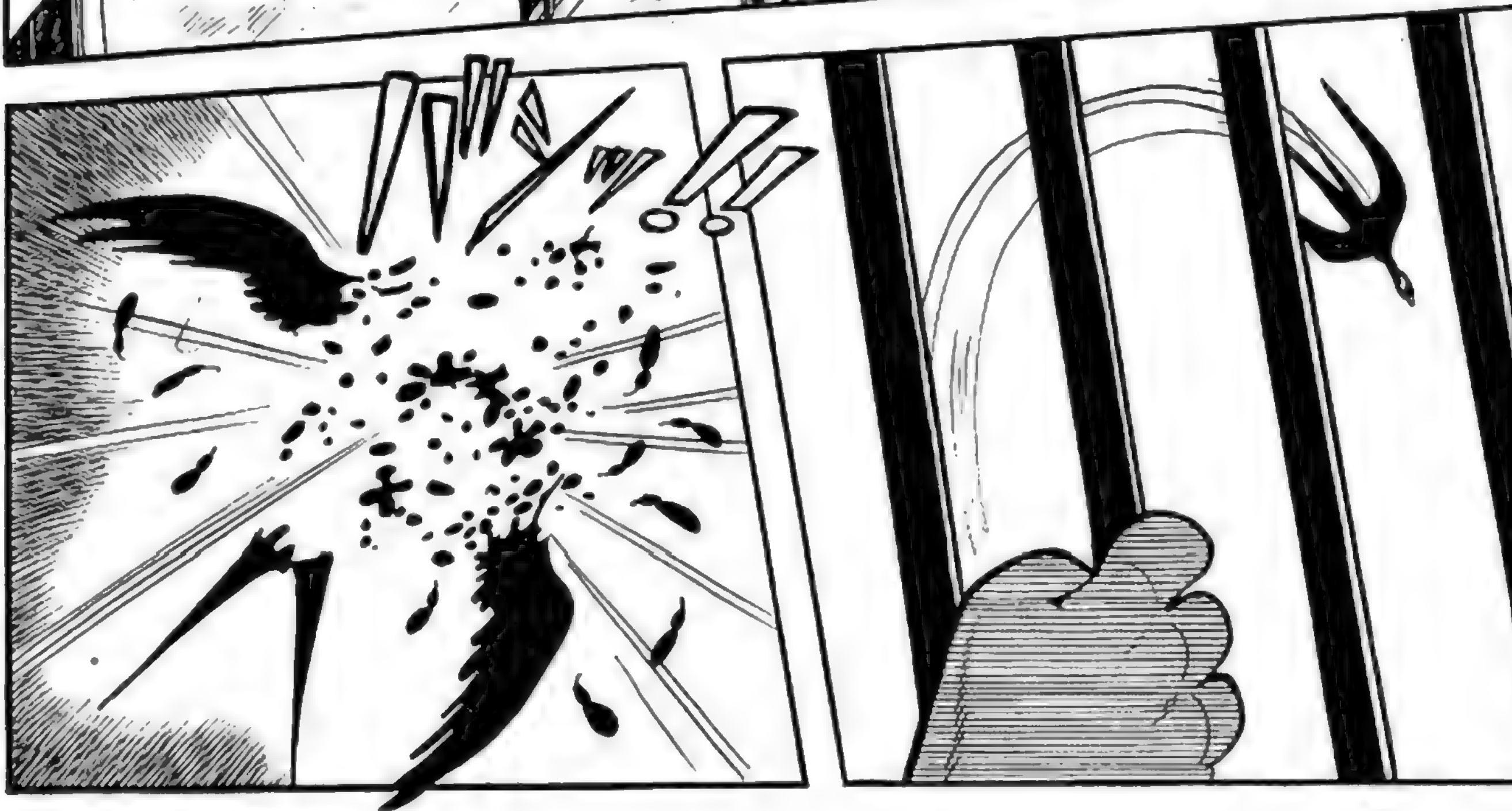


IN SHORT,  
WHEN TWO  
HIGH-SPEED  
OBJECTS  
COLLIDE, THE  
MOMENTUM  
WILL BE  
MULTIPLIED  
SEVERAL  
MILLION  
TIMES AND  
DELIVER A  
DEVASTATING  
BLOW.

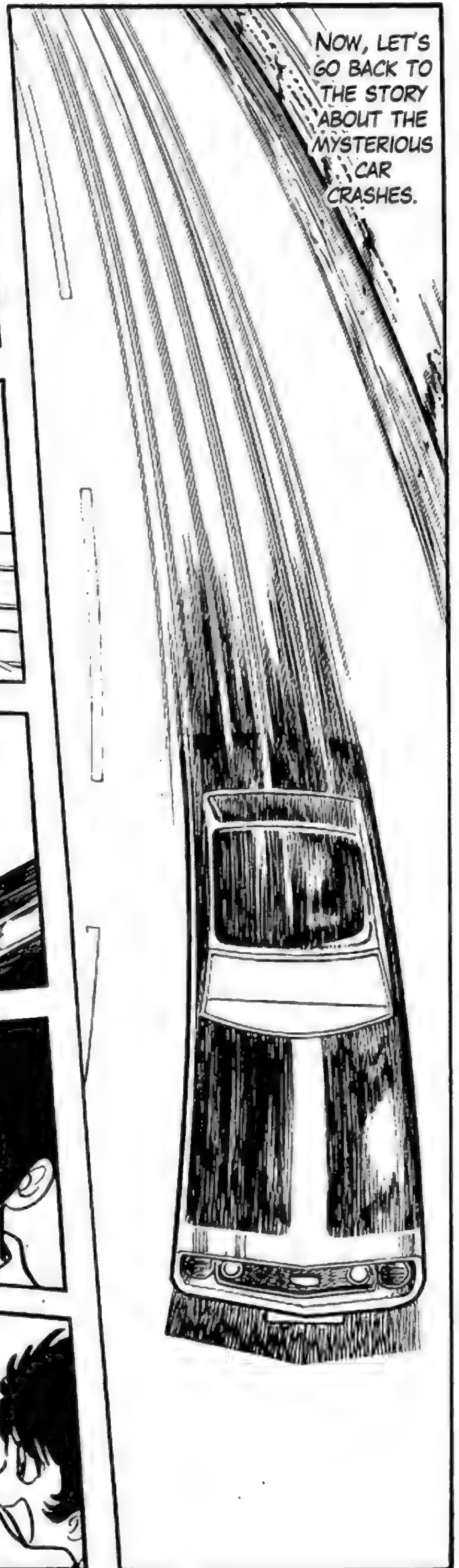
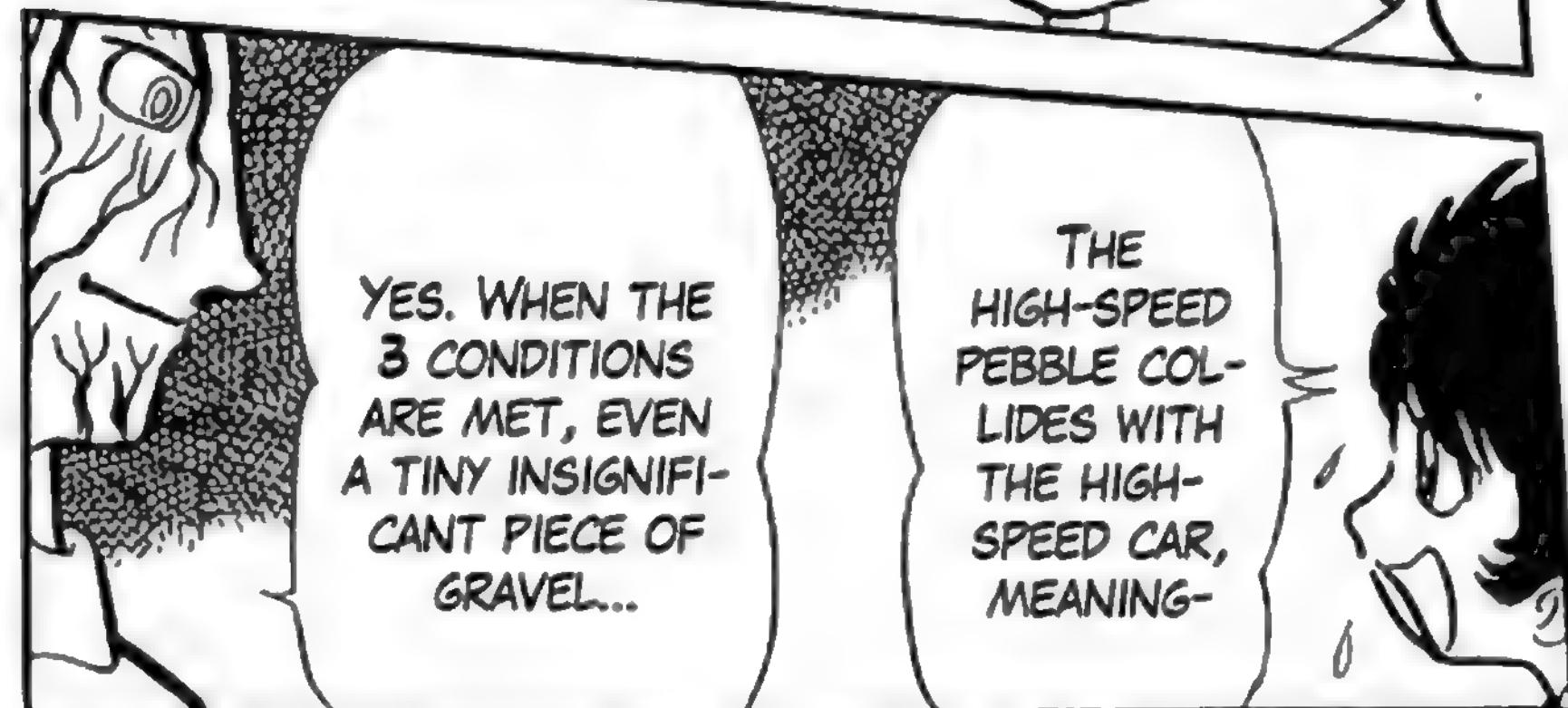
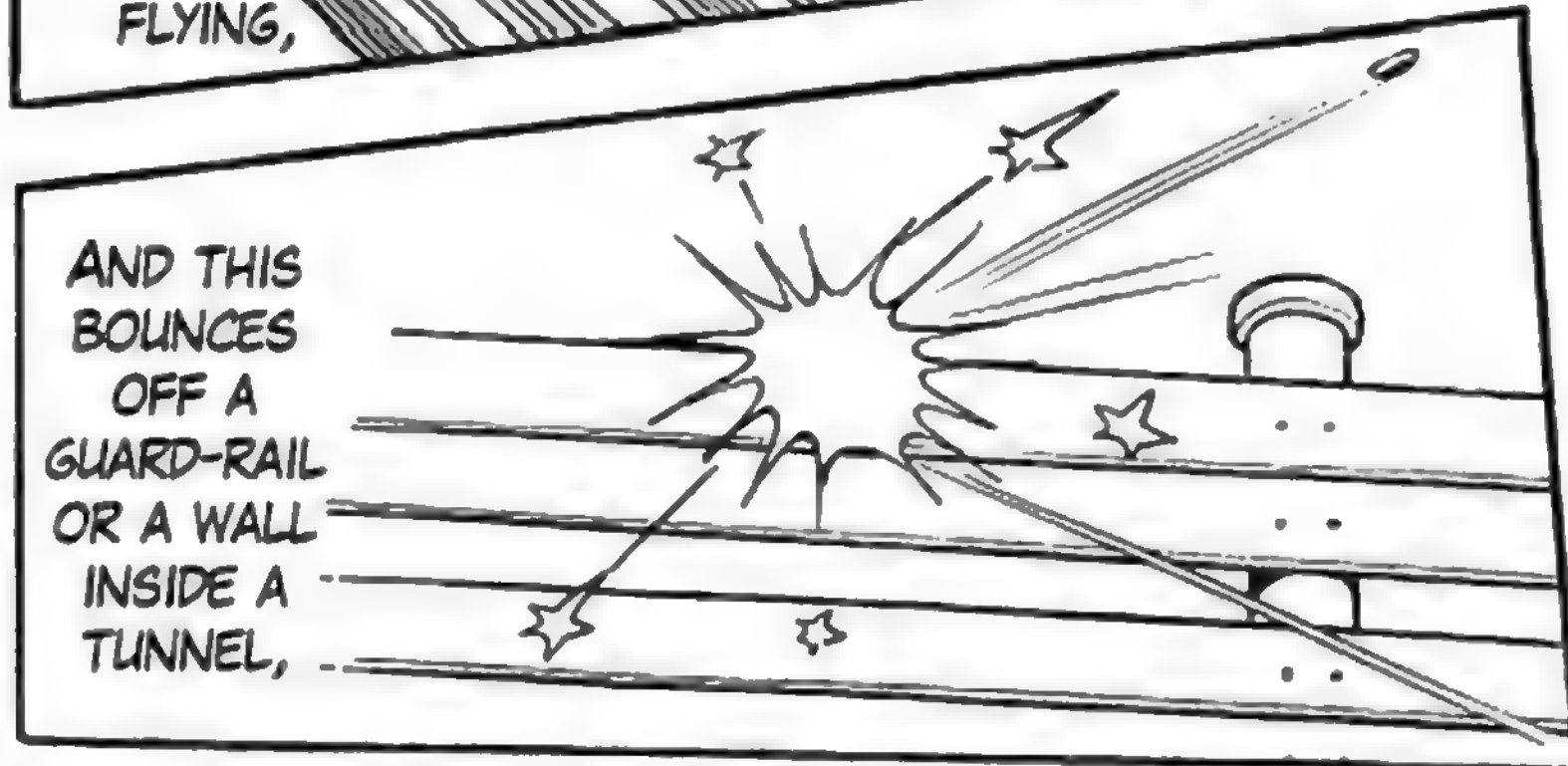
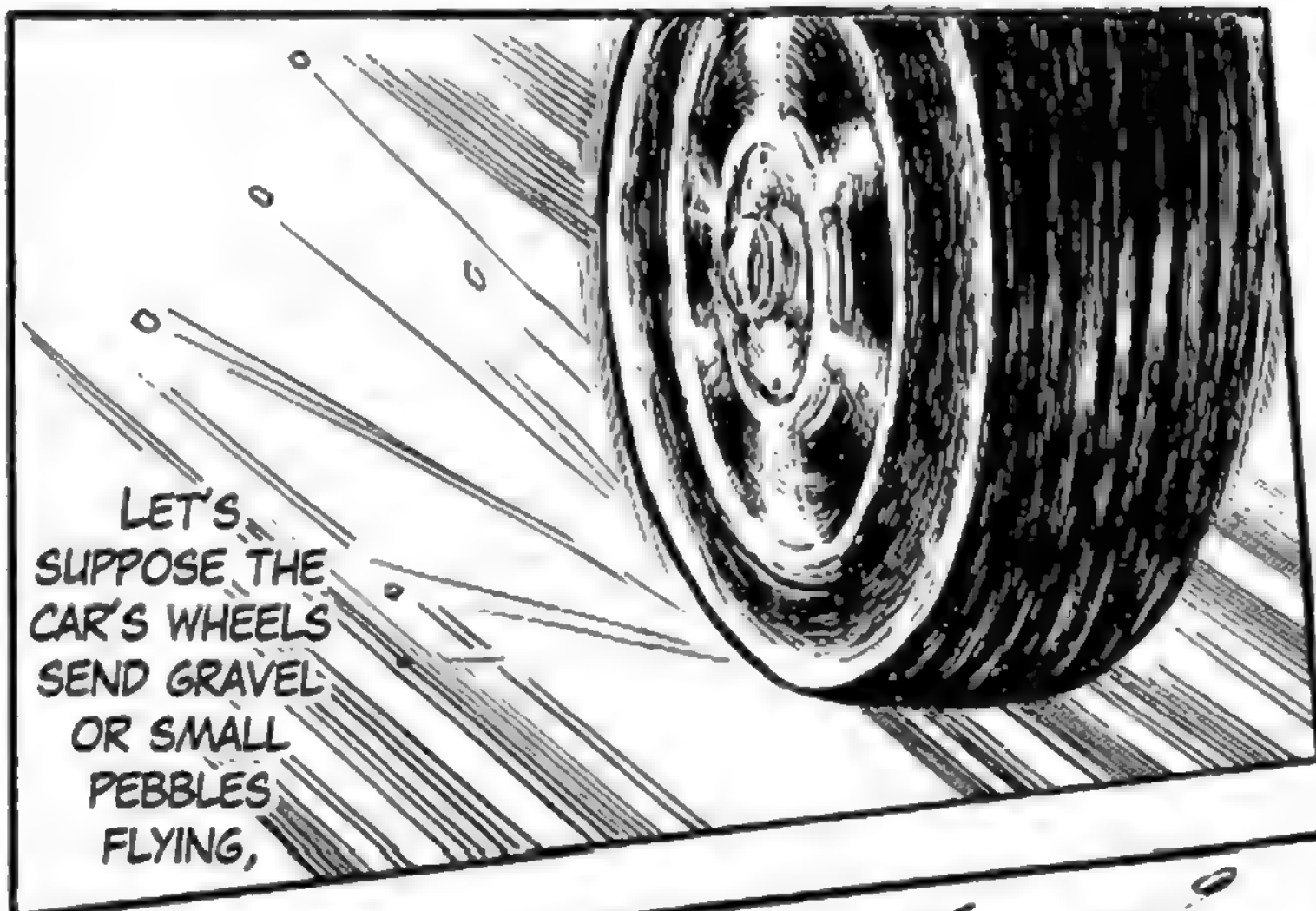
FOR THIS  
TRICK TO  
WORK, THE  
TARGET  
MUST BE  
TRAVELL-  
ING AT A  
CERTAIN  
SPEED...

THE WALL,  
BEING  
UNMOVING,  
DIDN'T  
BUDGE AN  
INCH.

ONE DAY,  
I TRIED  
TESTING  
IT ON A  
SWALLOW  
FLYING  
OUTSIDE  
MY CELL.

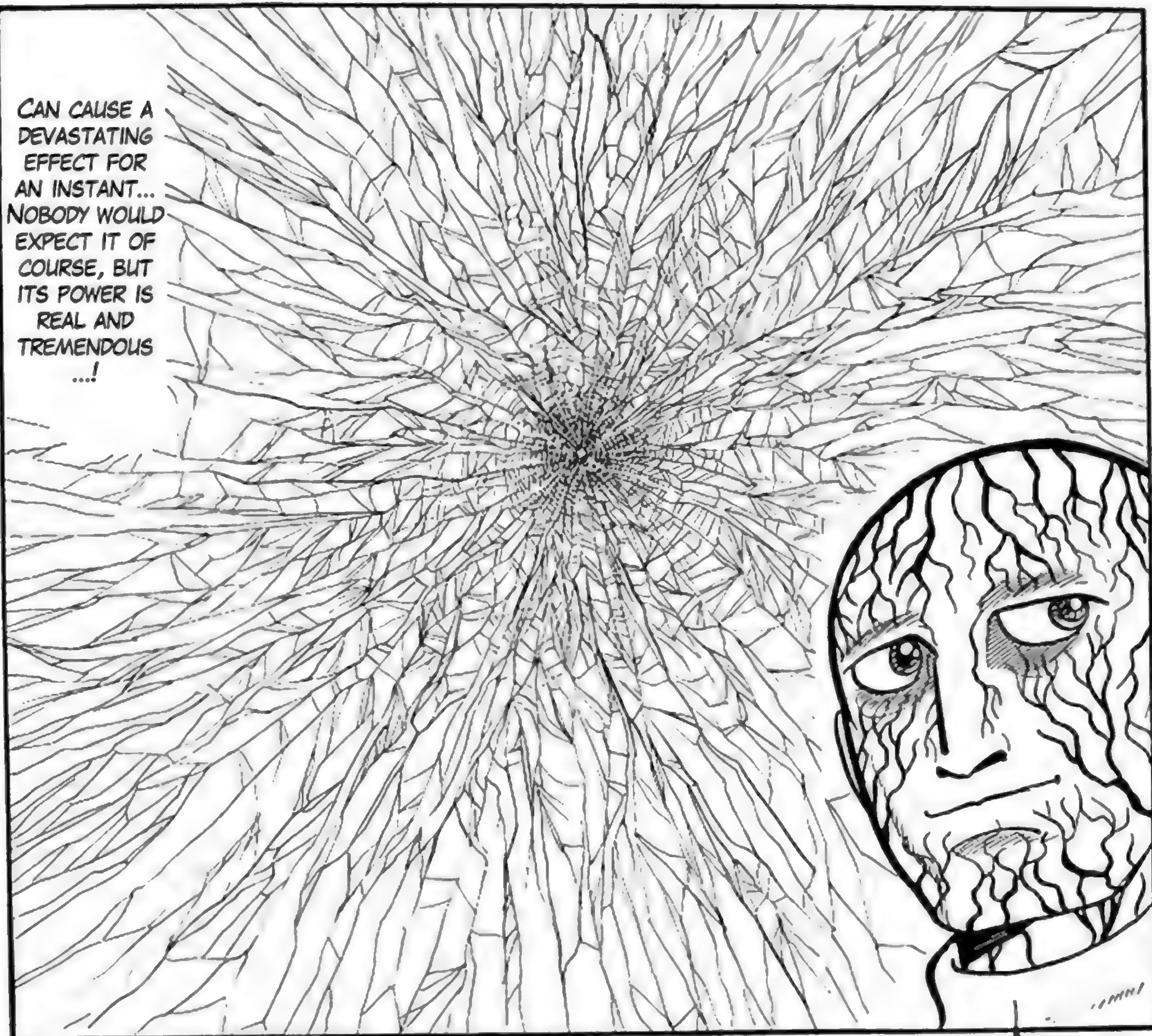




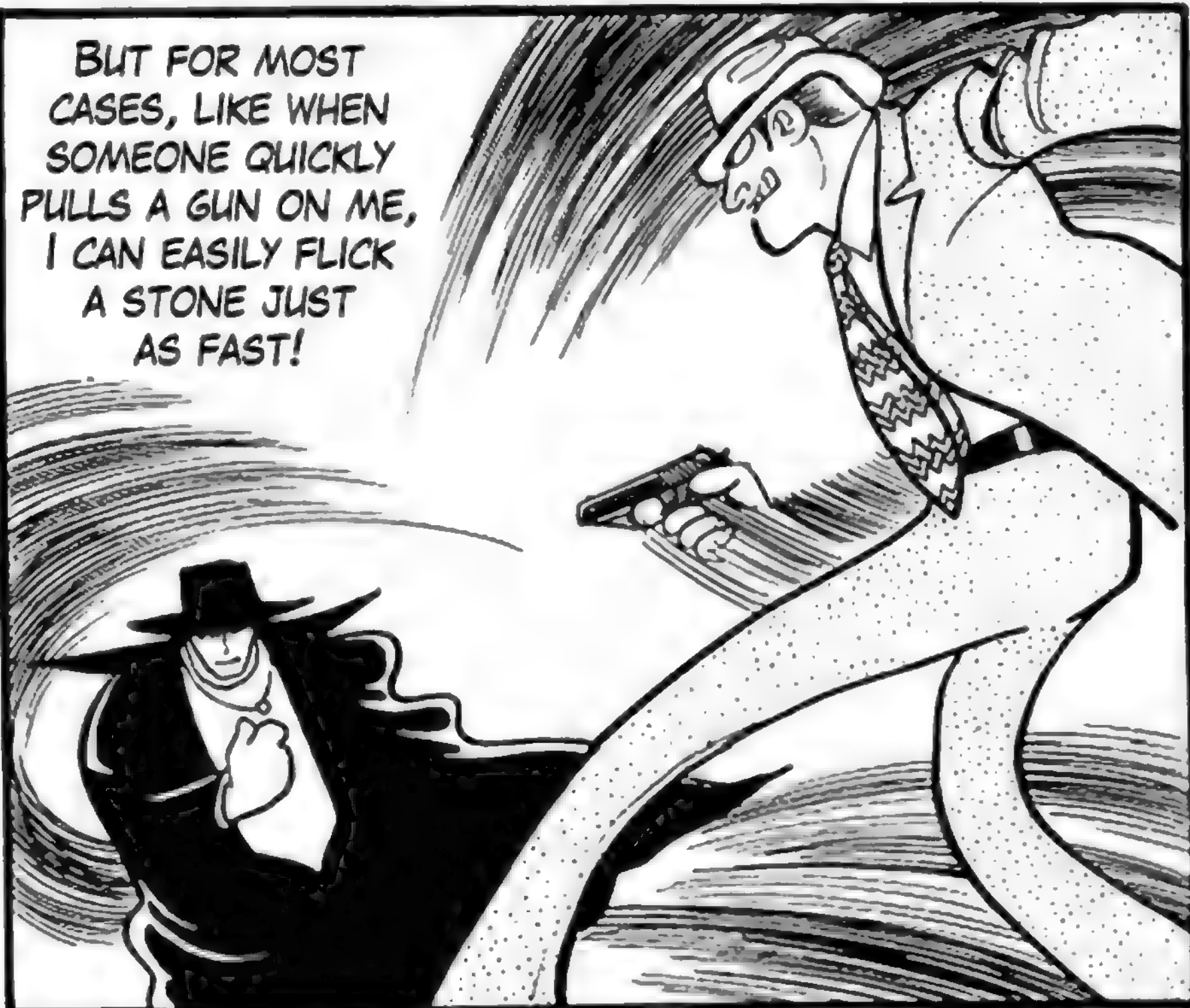




CAN CAUSE A  
DEVASTATING  
EFFECT FOR  
AN INSTANT...  
NOBODY WOULD  
EXPECT IT OF  
COURSE, BUT  
ITS POWER IS  
REAL AND  
TREMENDOUS  
...!



BUT FOR MOST  
CASES, LIKE WHEN  
SOMEONE QUICKLY  
PULLS A GUN ON ME,  
I CAN EASILY FLICK  
A STONE JUST  
AS FAST!



SO... WHAT DO  
YOU THINK OF  
MY WEAPON?

HM...

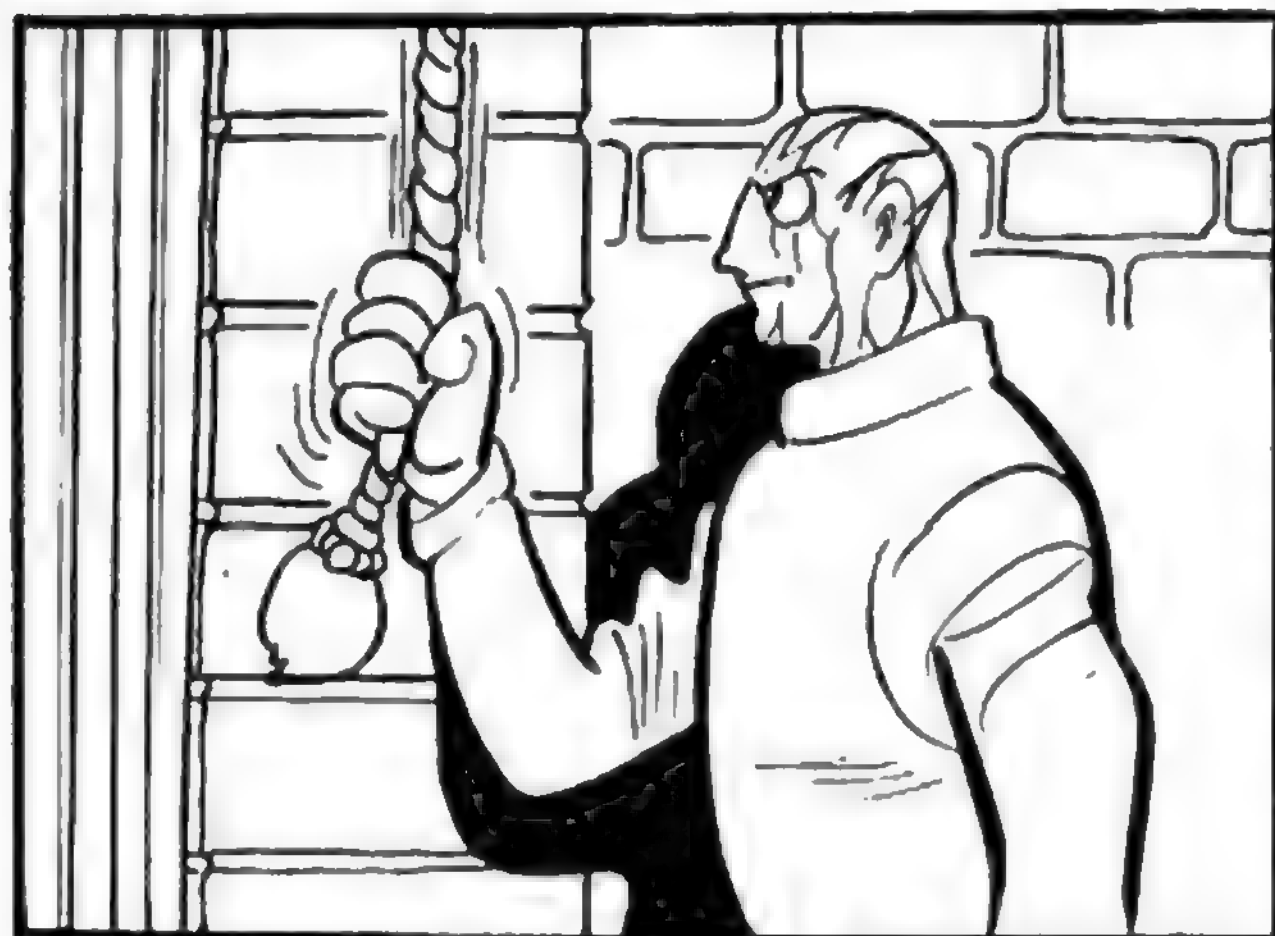
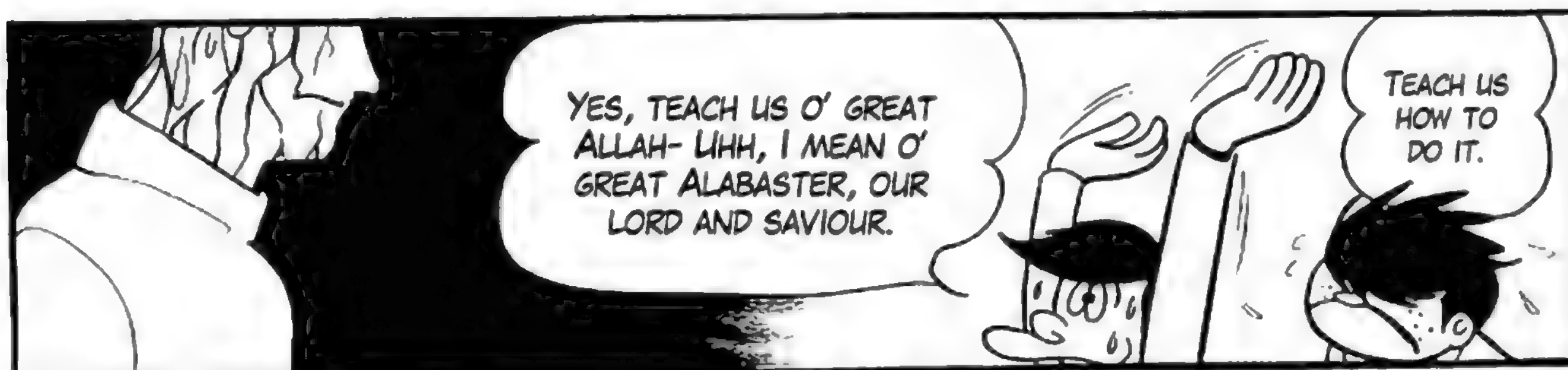
ITS ONLY  
WEAKNESS IS THAT  
IT'S COMPLETELY  
USELESS IF MY  
TARGET IS STILL.

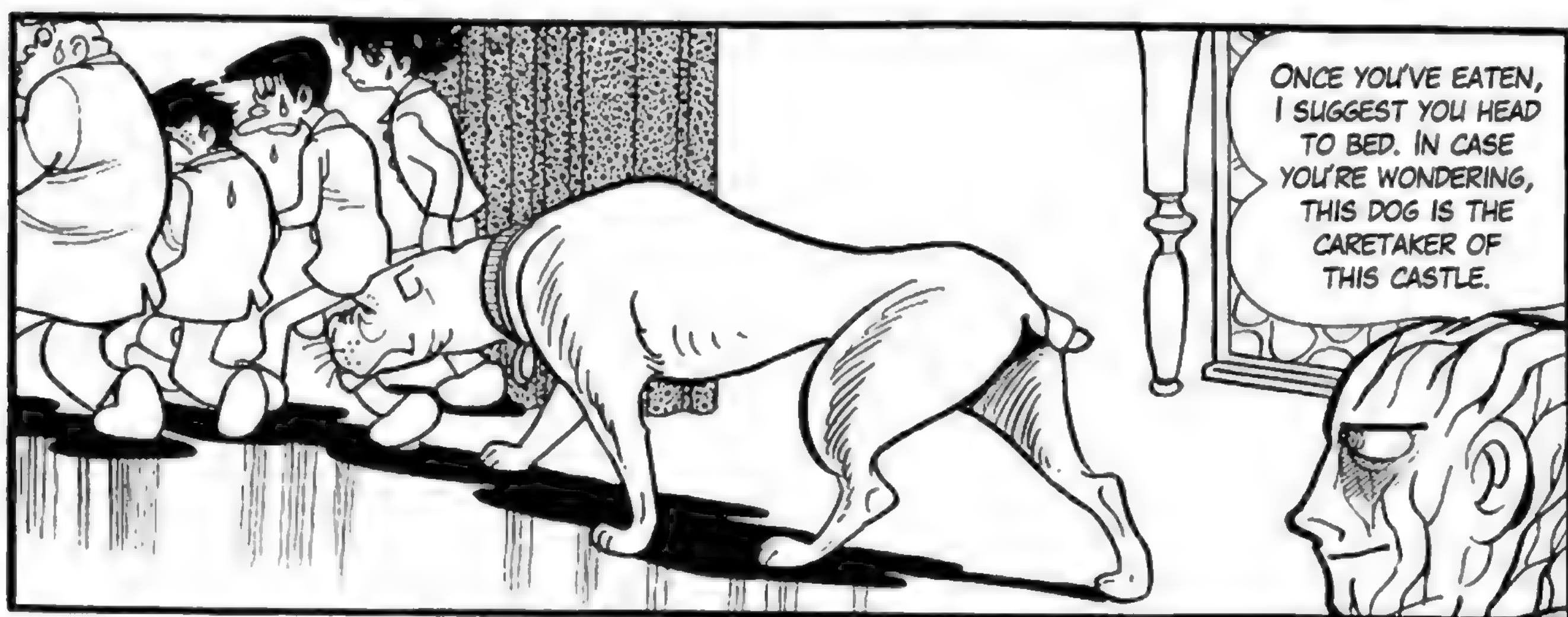
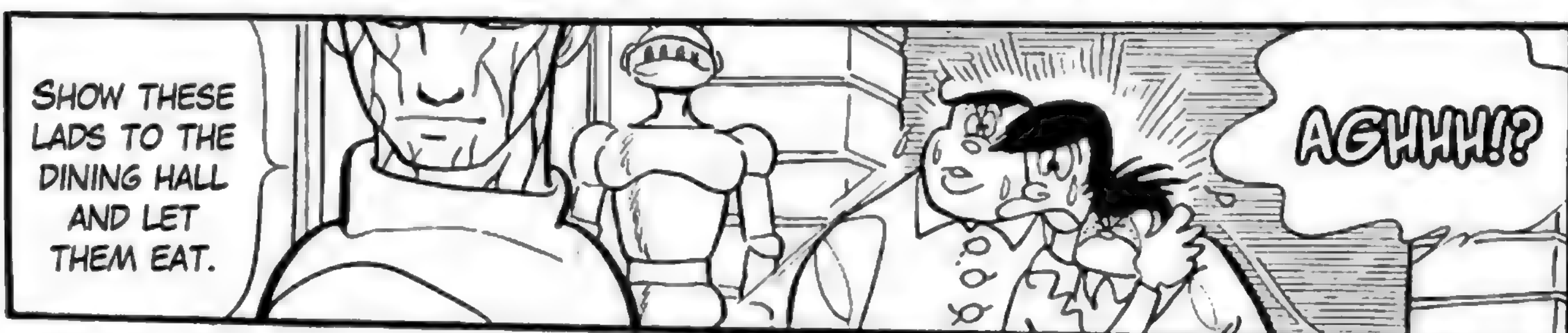
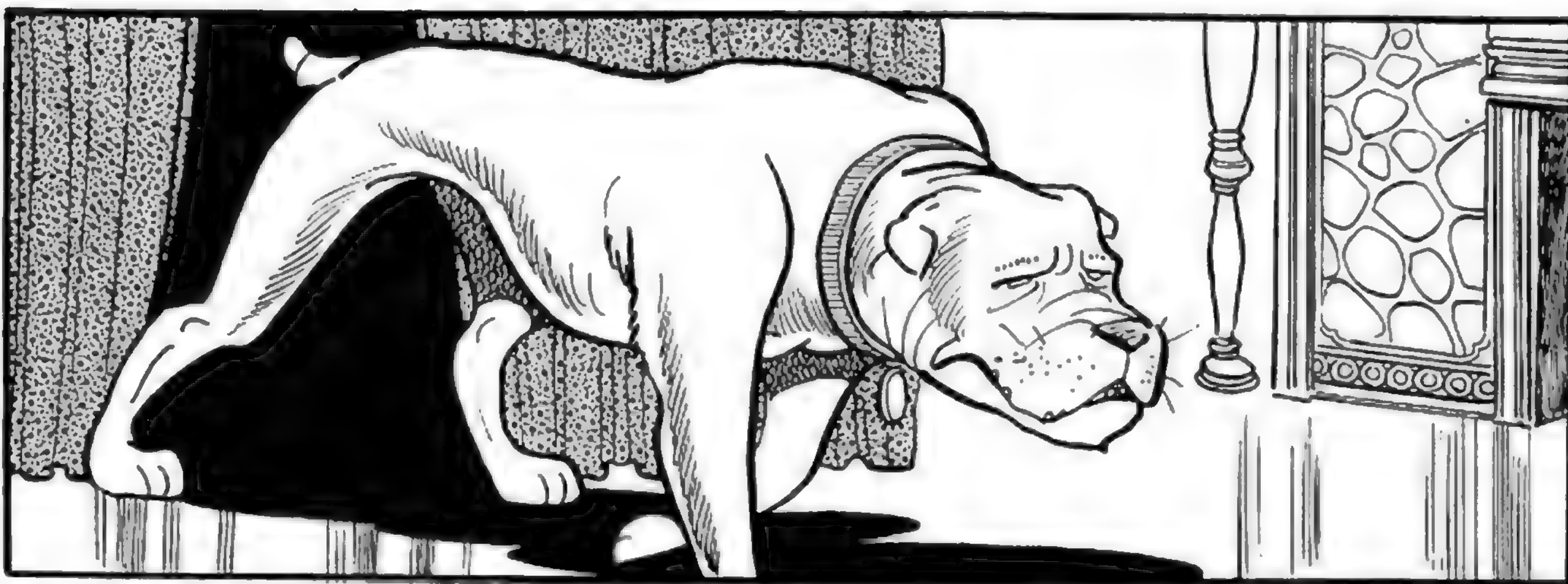




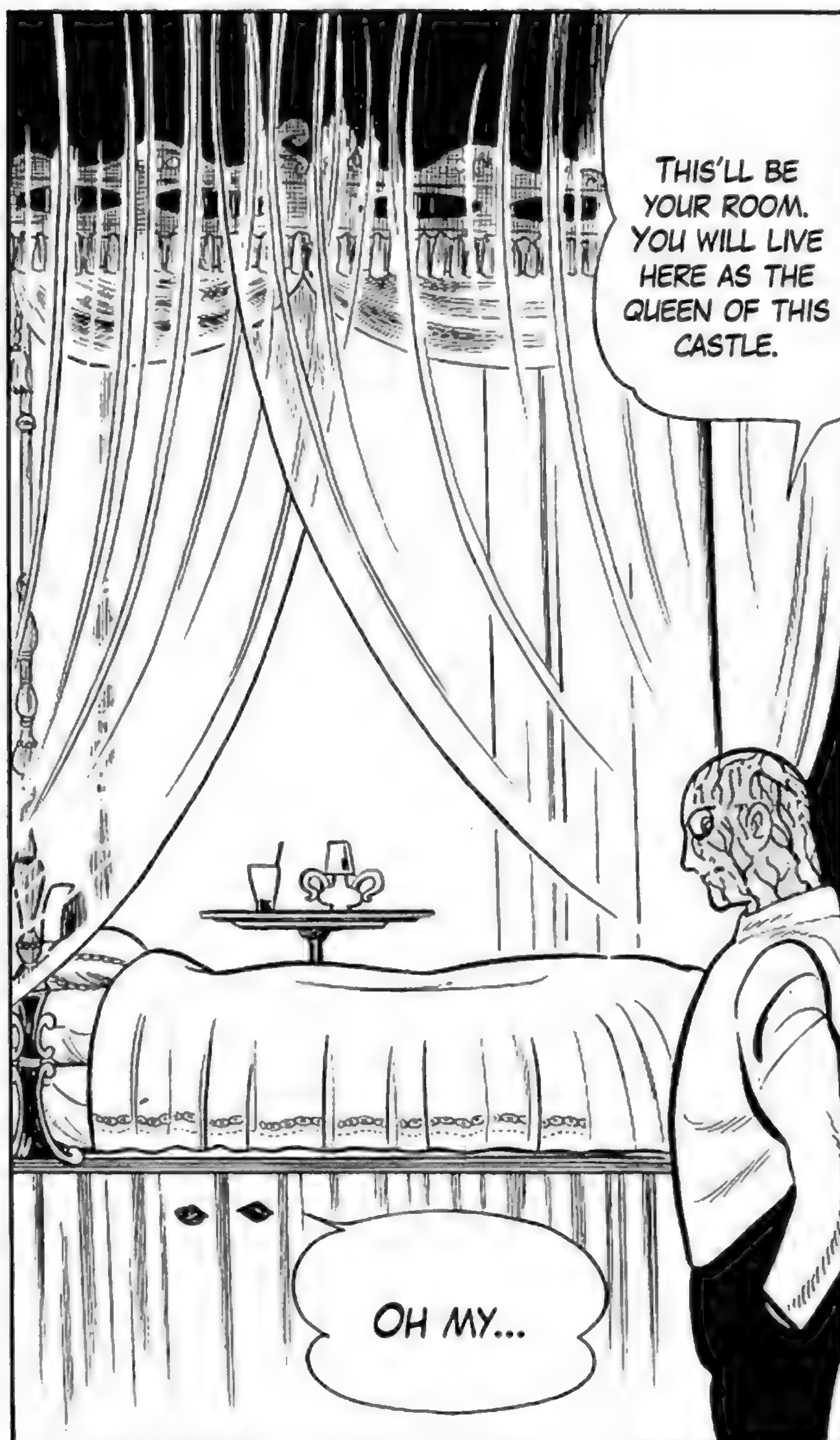














UNFOR-  
TUNATELY,  
THE RAY GUN  
WAS IMPERFECT  
AND IT LEFT  
YOUR MOTHER  
DISFIGURED...  
LIKE ME  
...

PER-  
HAPS  
THE  
RAY  
ONLY  
TAKES  
EFF-  
ECT  
AFTER  
A  
CER-  
TAIN  
AGE.

STILL, SHE  
MANAGED TO  
GIVE BIRTH YOU.  
AT FIRST,  
YOU APPEARED  
COMPLETELY  
NORMAL BUT  
AS TIME  
PASSED, YOU  
TURNED MORE  
AND MORE  
INVISIBLE.  
THE REASON  
FOR THAT IS  
UNCLEAR.

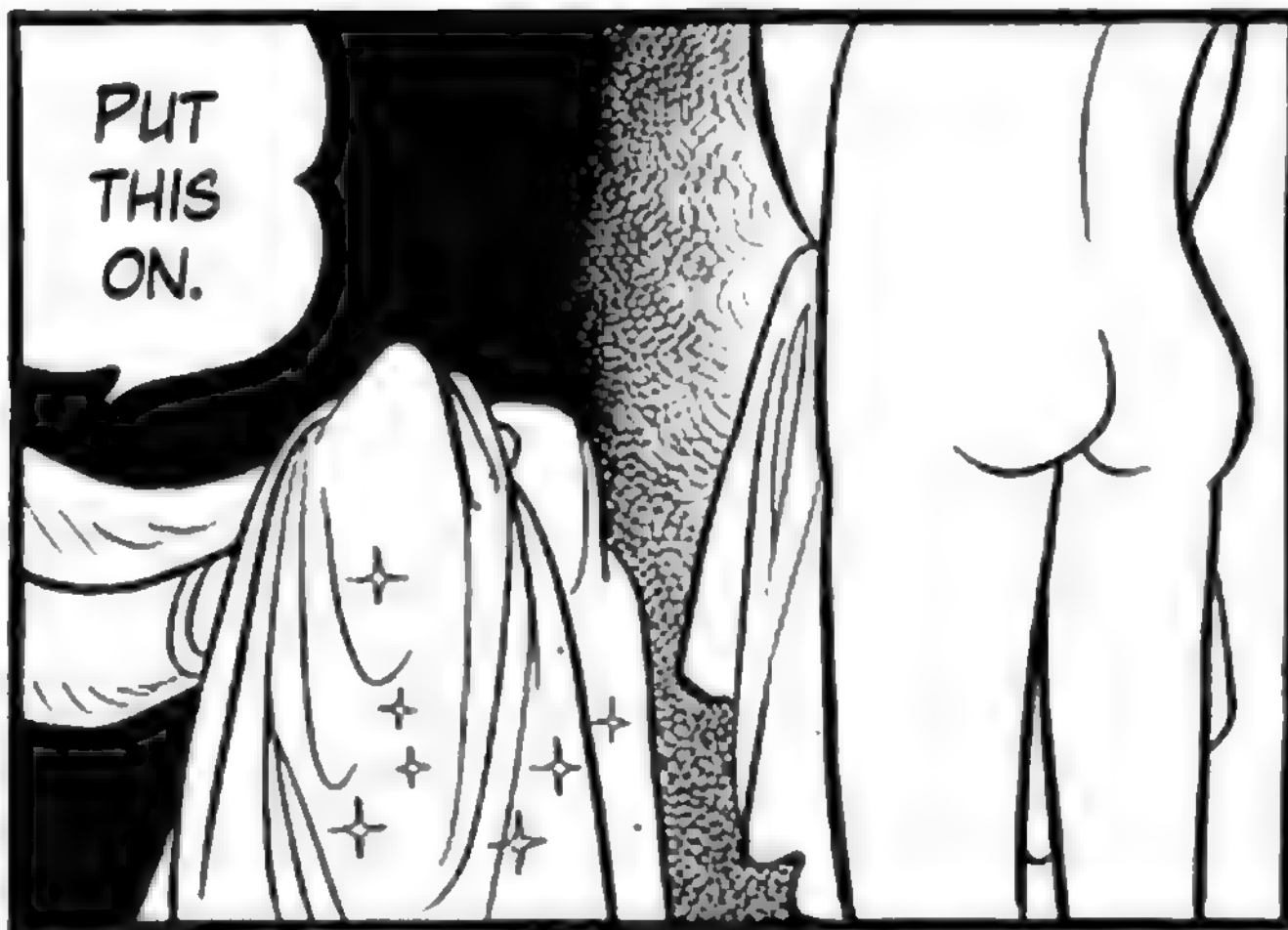
SOON AFTER,  
YOUR MOTHER  
COMMITTED  
SUICIDE, LEAV-  
ING A WILL  
THAT READ:

YOUR GRANDFATHER-  
THAT IS TO SAY, THE FATHER  
OF YOUR BIRTH-MOTHER- WAS  
A SCIENTIST WHO INVENTED A  
RAY GUN THAT CAN TURN LIVING  
THINGS INVISIBLE. THIS IS THE  
VERY RAY GUN... SHORTLY AFTER  
INVENTING IT, HE USED YOUR  
MOTHER AS A TEST-SUBJECT,  
NOT KNOWING THAT SHE WAS  
PREGNANT WITH YOU AT THAT  
TIME...

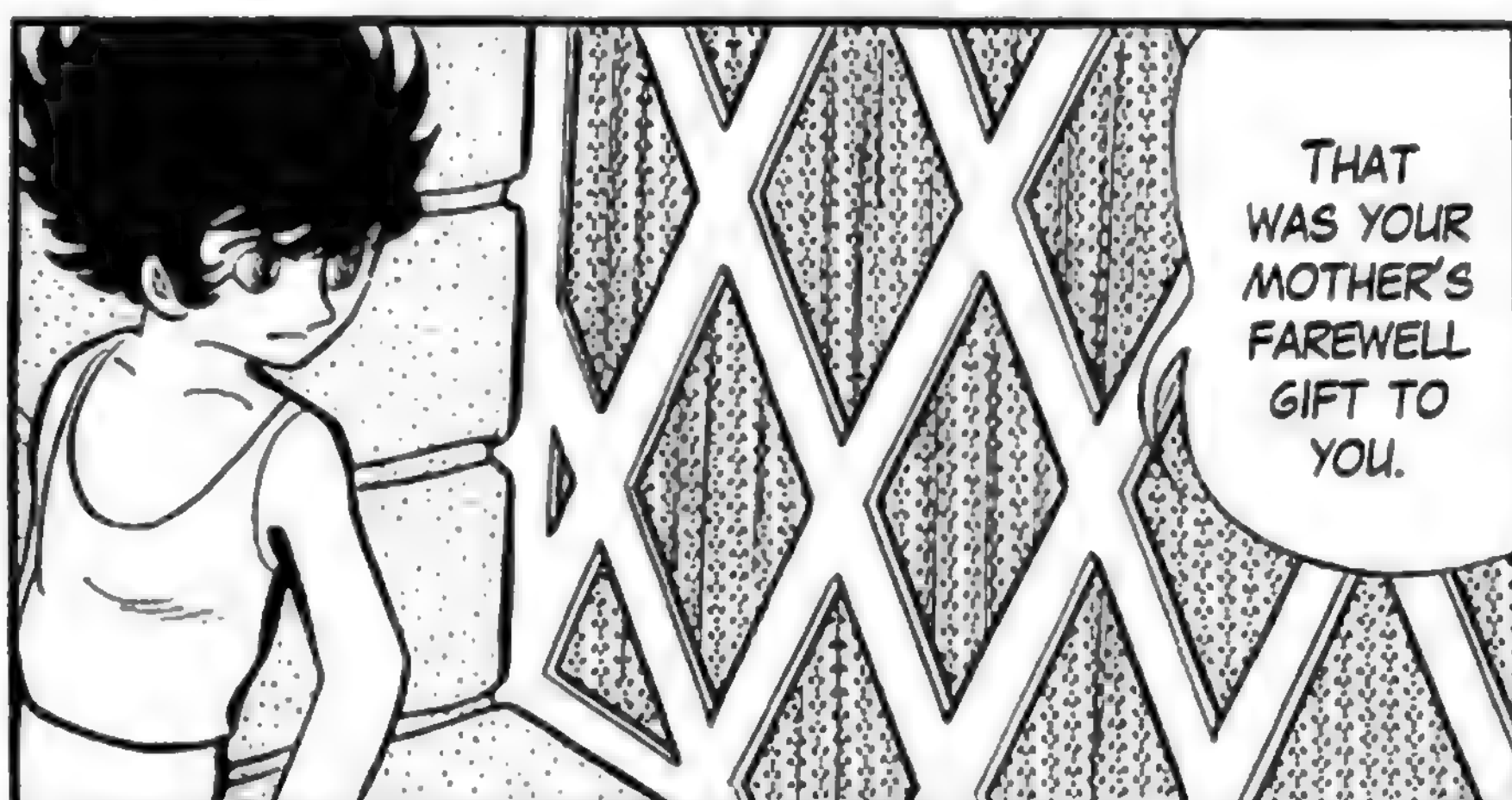
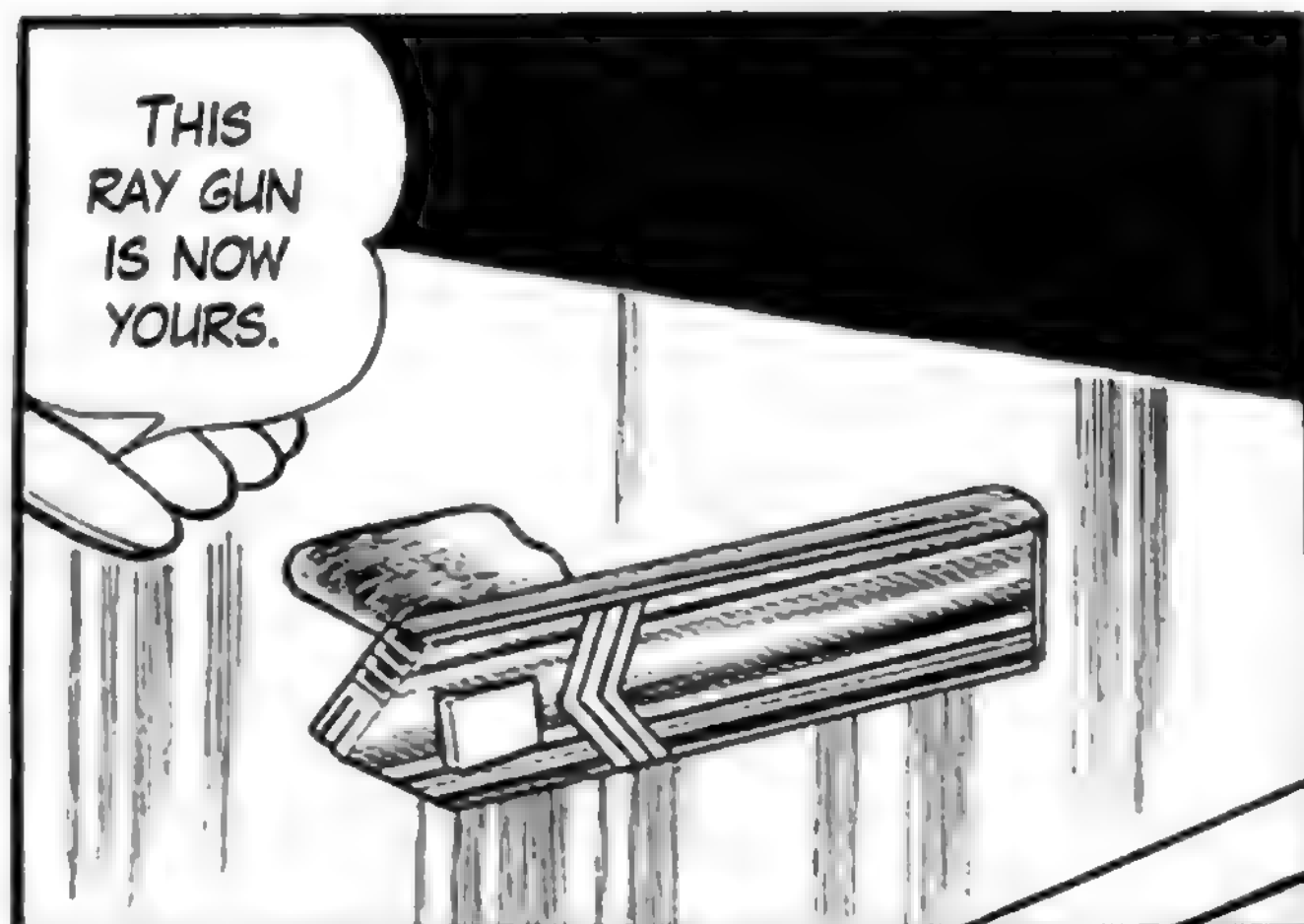


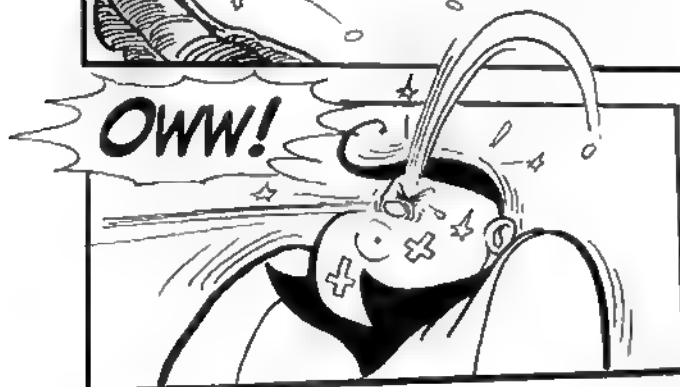
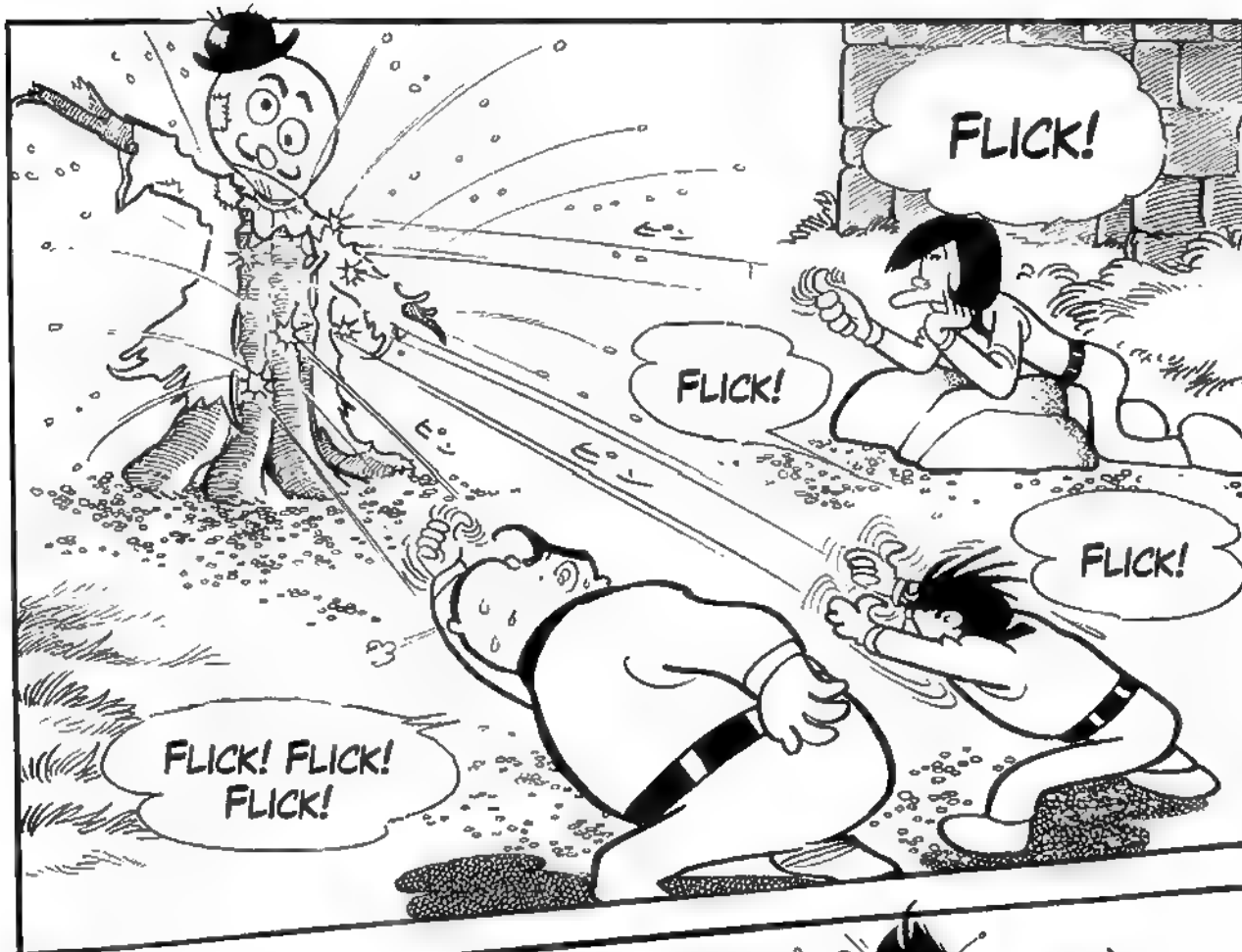








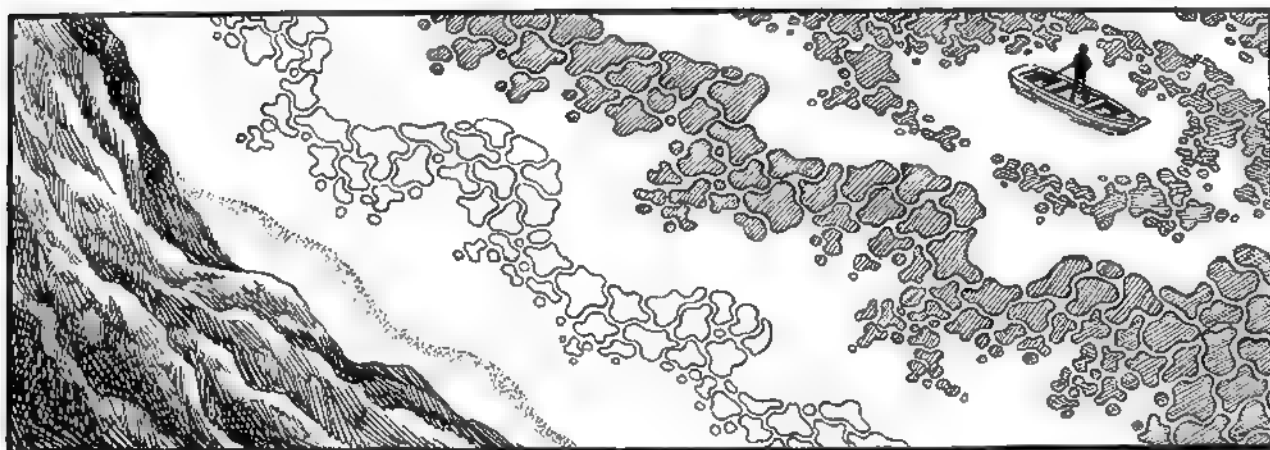
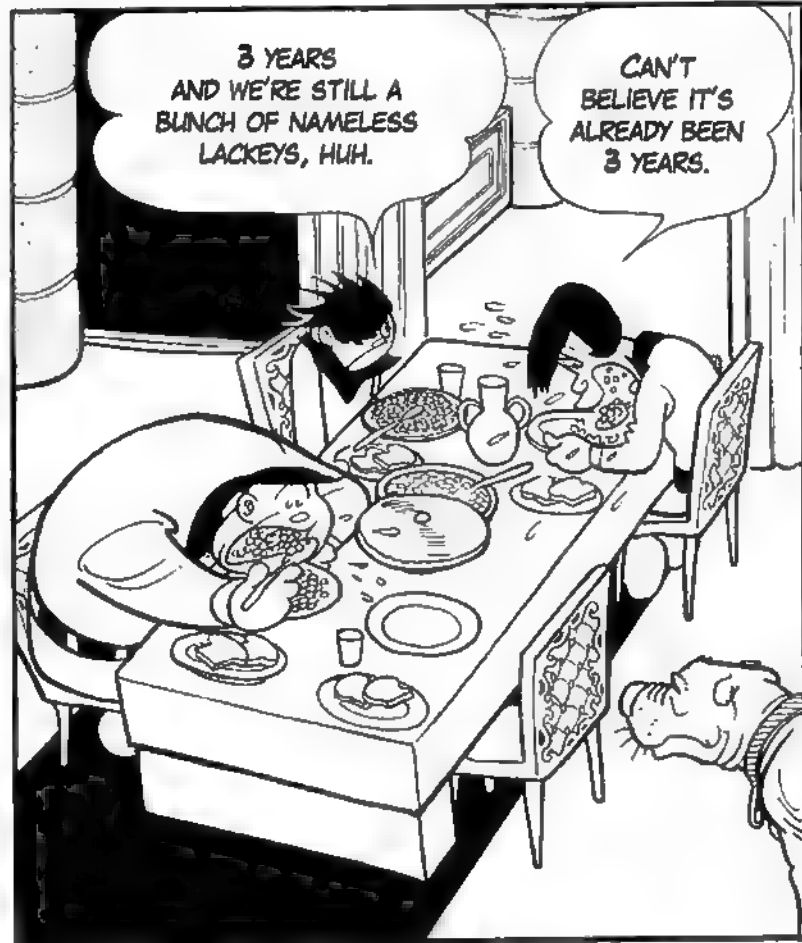
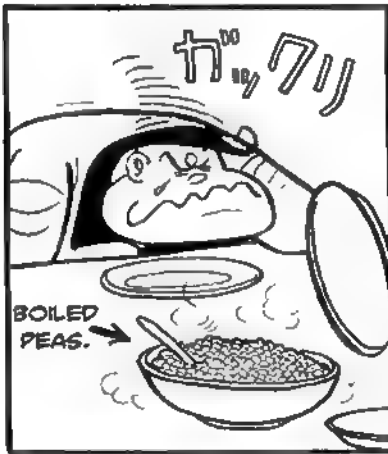


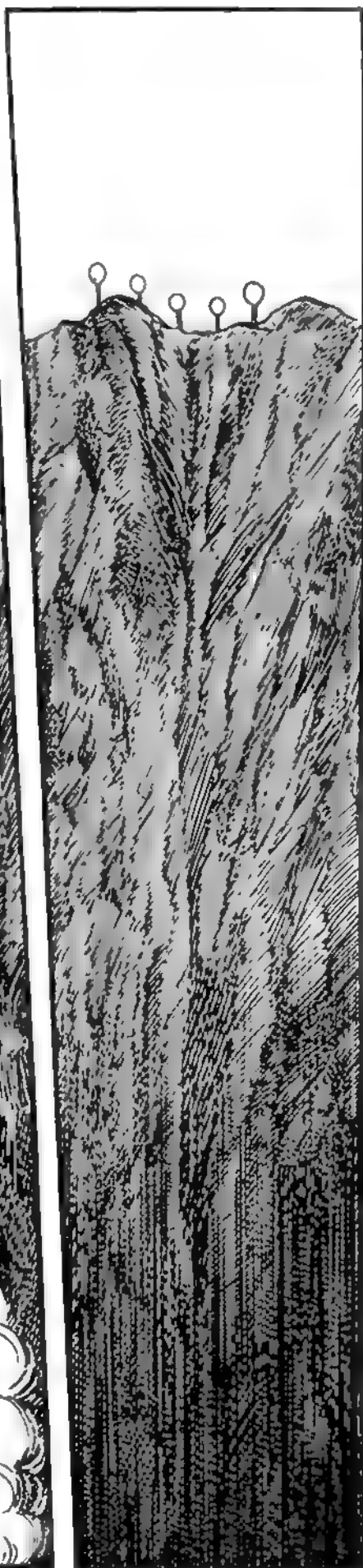
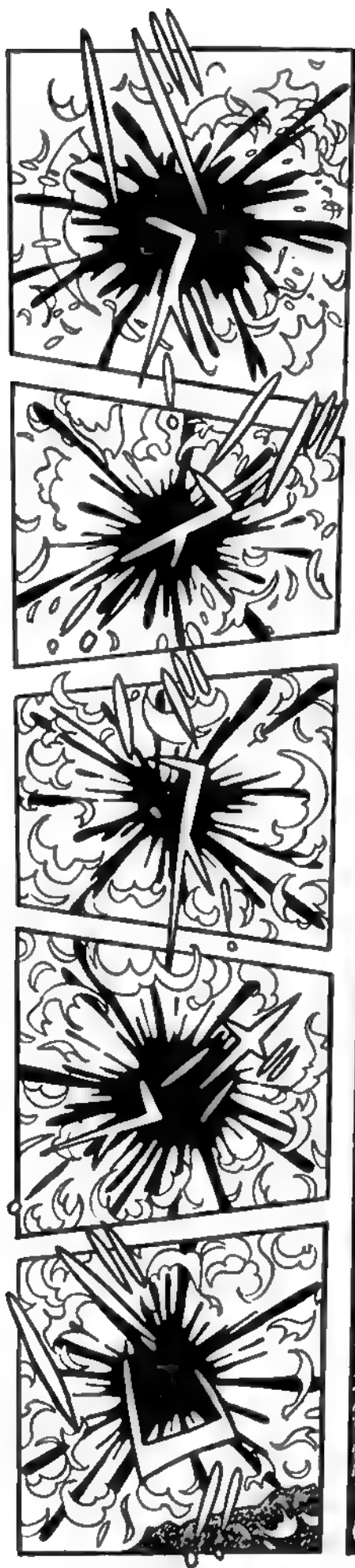


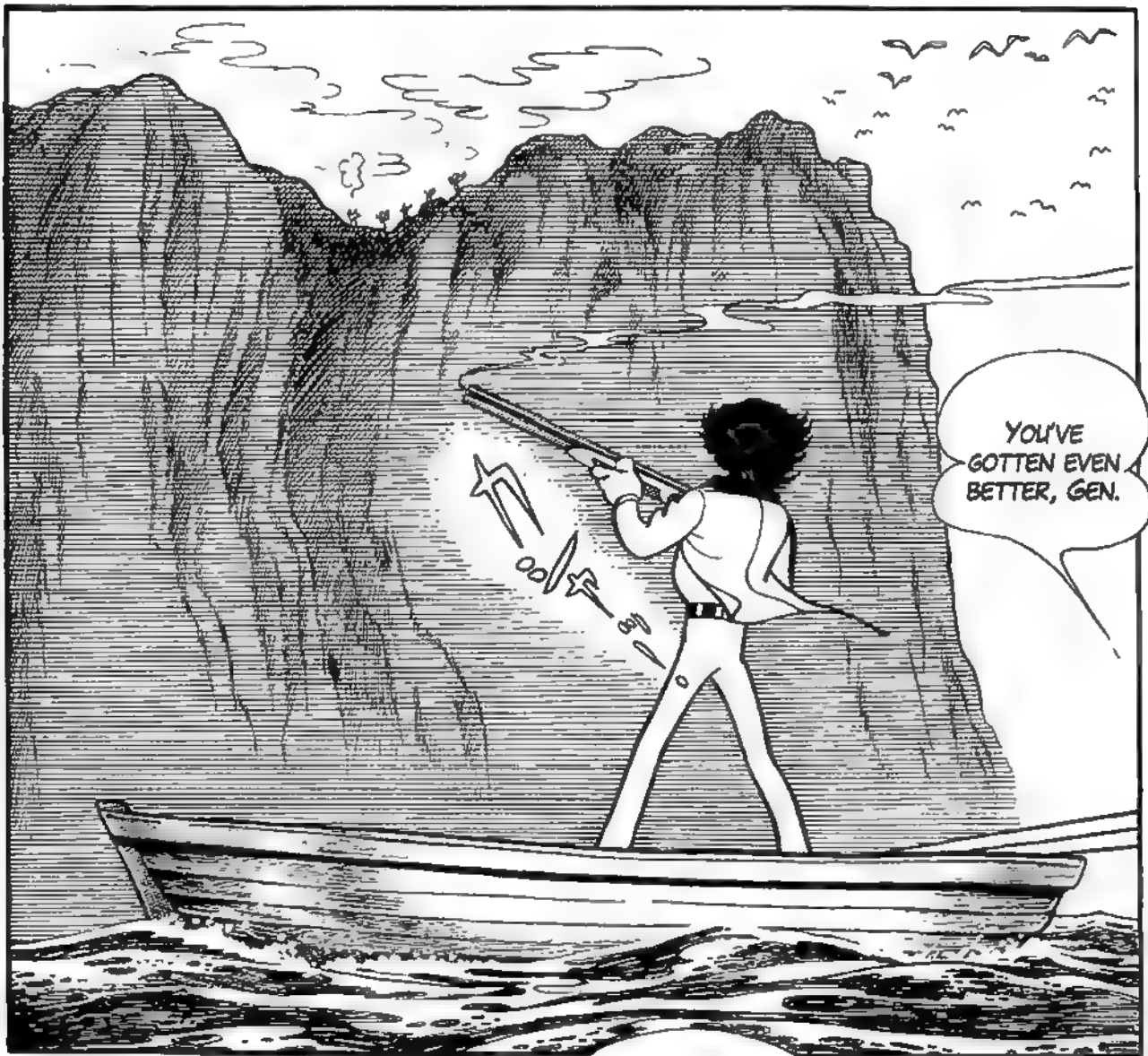
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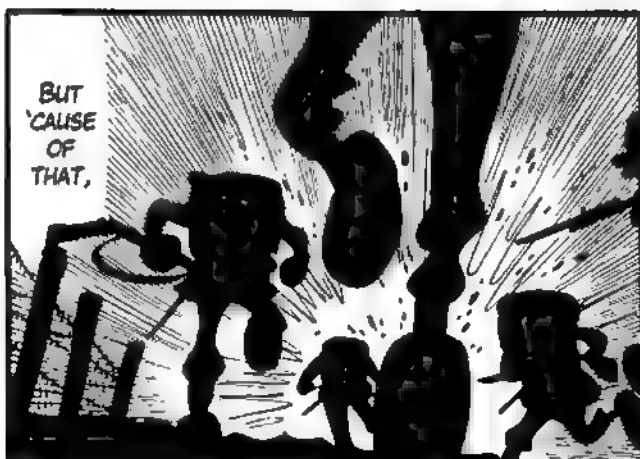












BUT  
'CAUSE  
OF  
THAT,

FOR THAT  
REASON,  
HE WAS  
ALWAYS  
SENT OUT  
TO THE  
FRONT  
LINES.

MY  
POPS USED  
TO BE THE  
BEST SHOT  
IN HIS UNIT  
DURING THE  
WAR.



A LOT OF THE MEN WHO HAD RAMBLED  
ON ABOUT JUSTICE OR BRAVERY UNTIL  
THEN WERE THE FIRST TO RUN WHEN  
THE FIGHTING BECAME INTENSE.

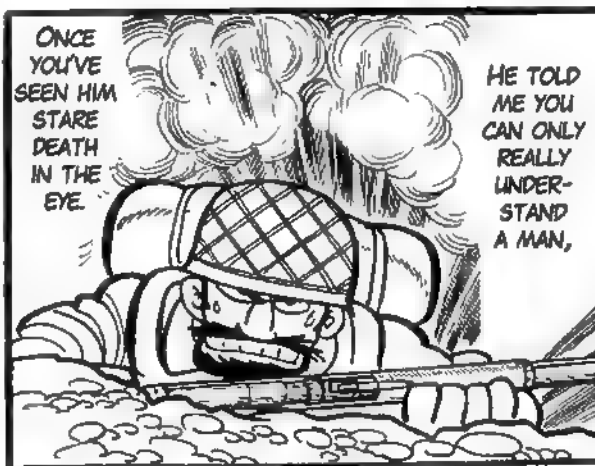


HE ALSO SAW  
COUNTLESS OF  
PEOPLE GET  
SLAUGHTERED.

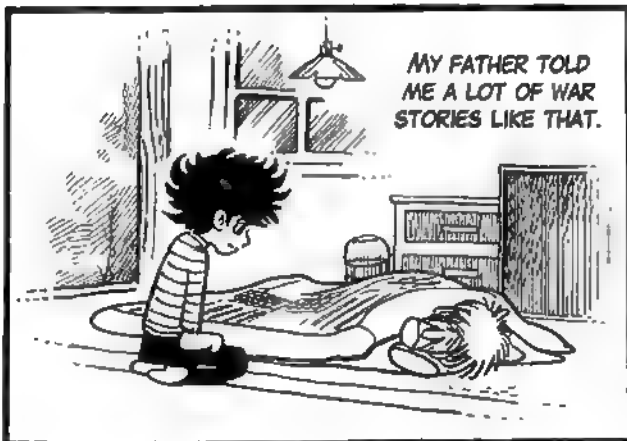


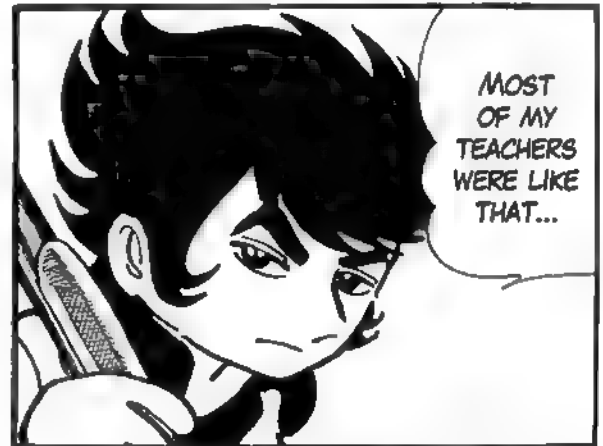
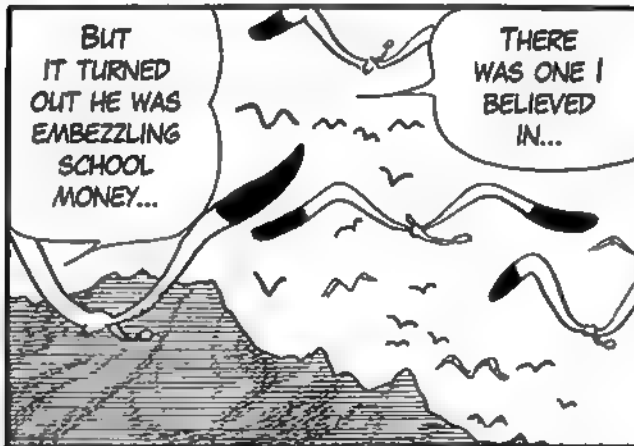
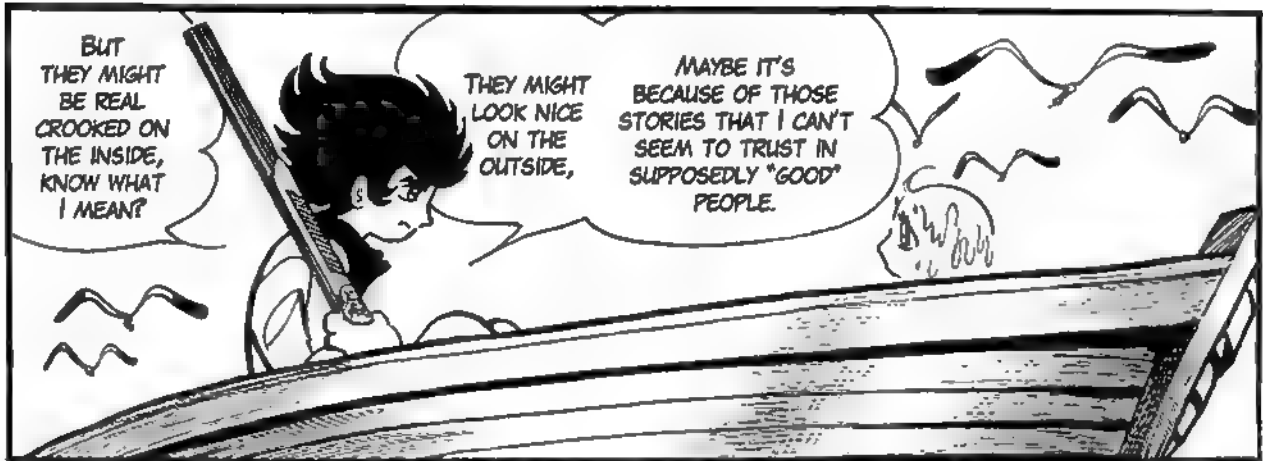
ONCE  
YOU'VE  
SEEN HIM  
STARE  
DEATH  
IN THE  
EYE.

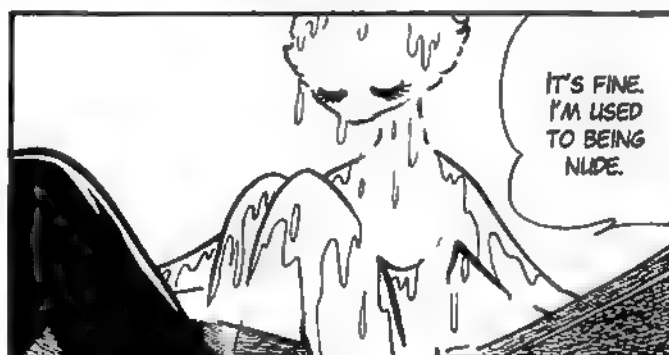
HE TOLD  
ME YOU  
CAN ONLY  
REALLY  
UNDER-  
STAND  
A MAN,



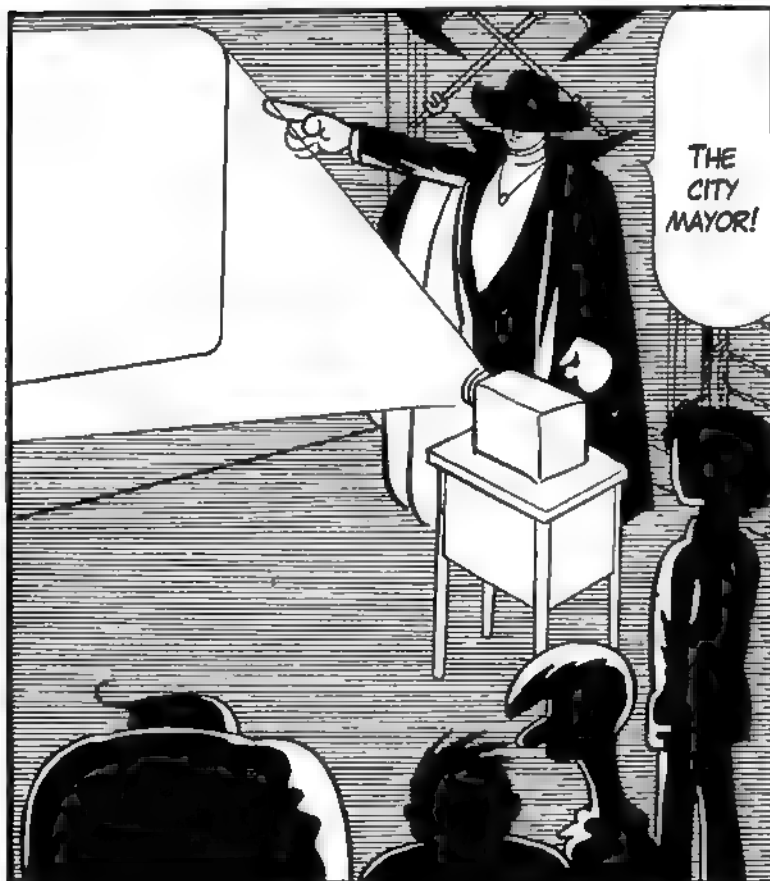
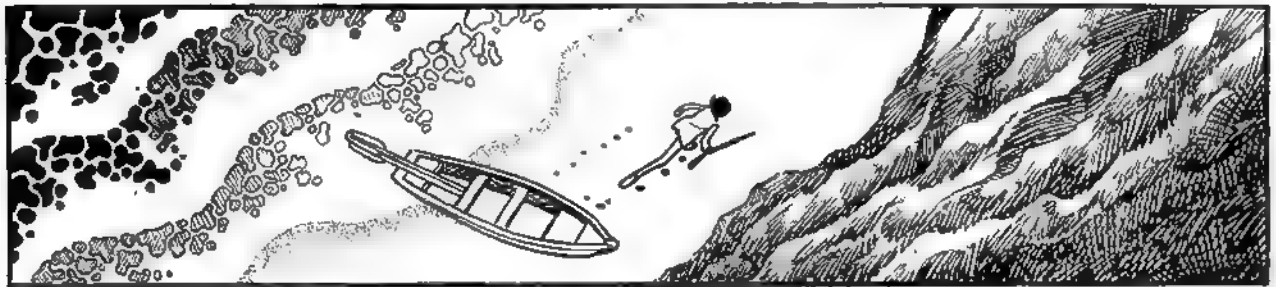
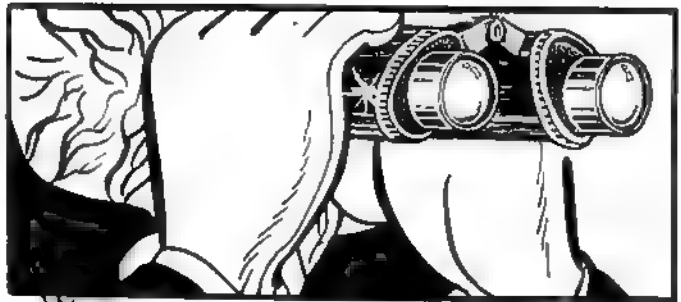
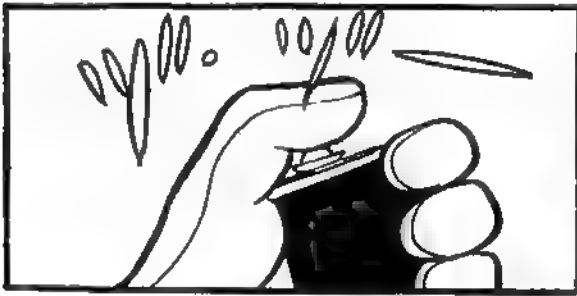
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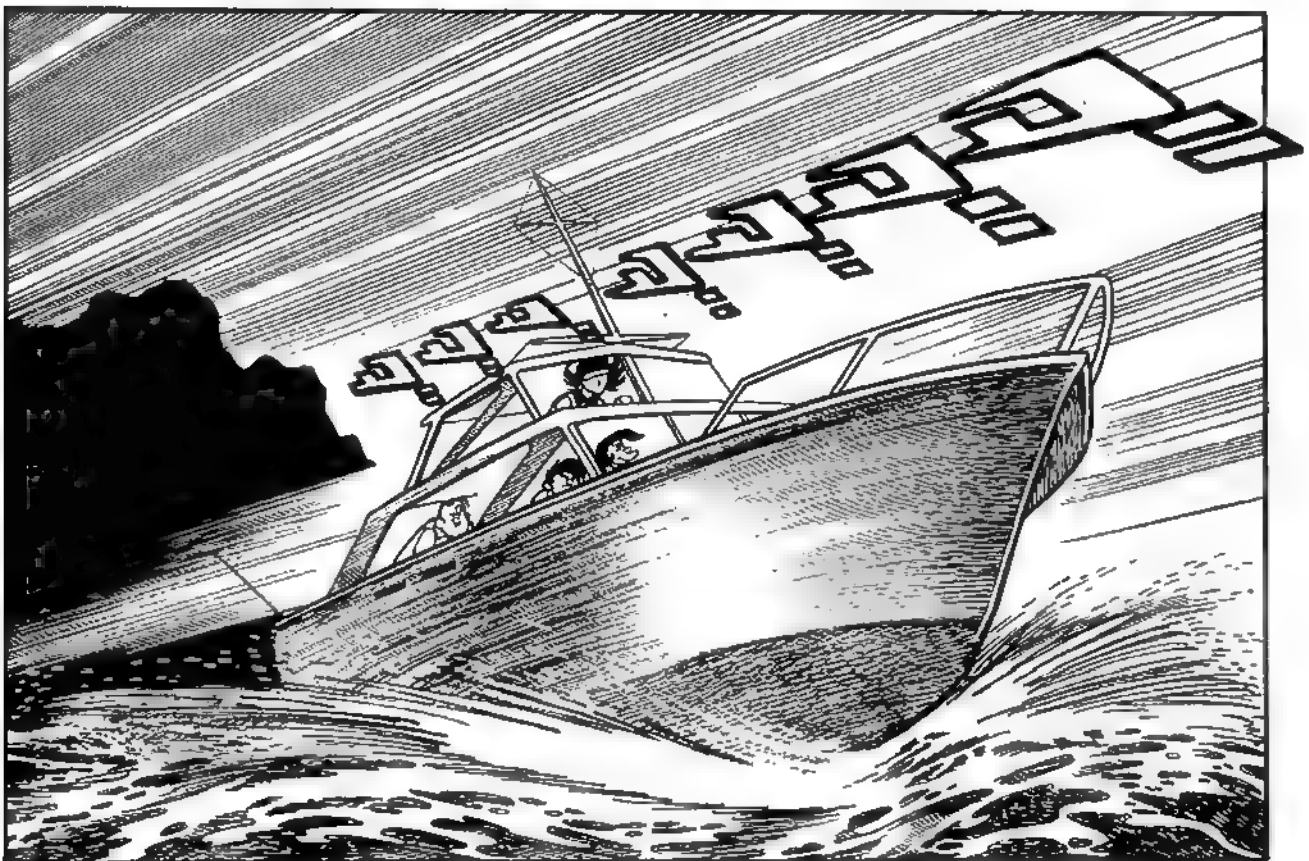
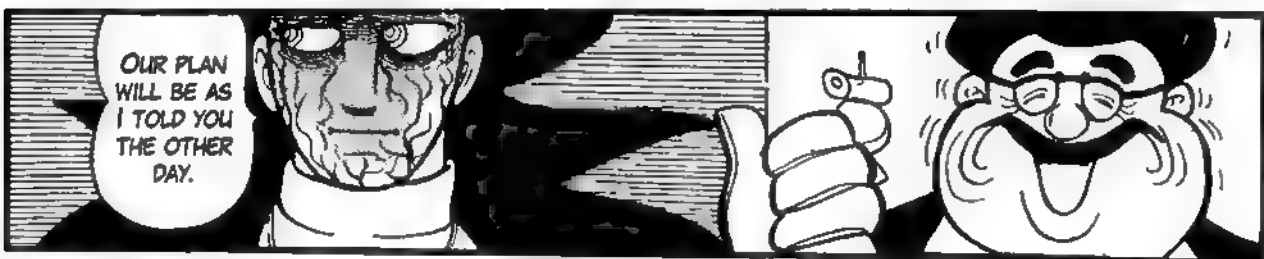
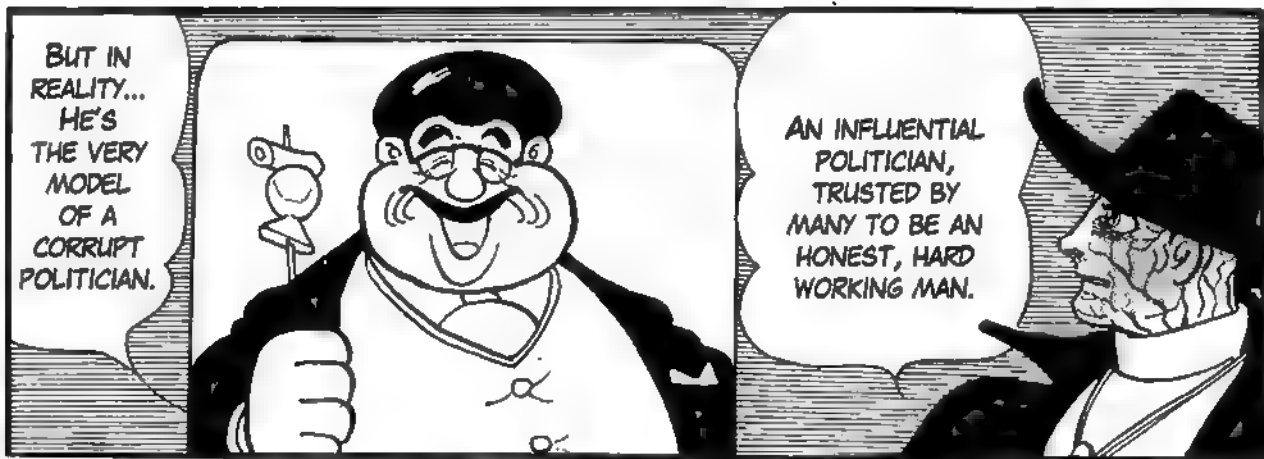


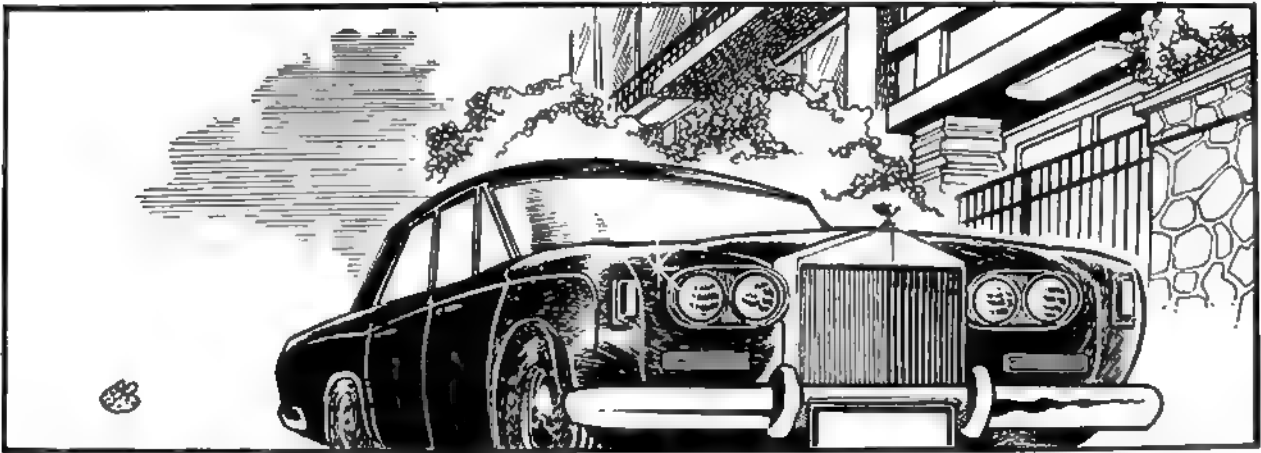




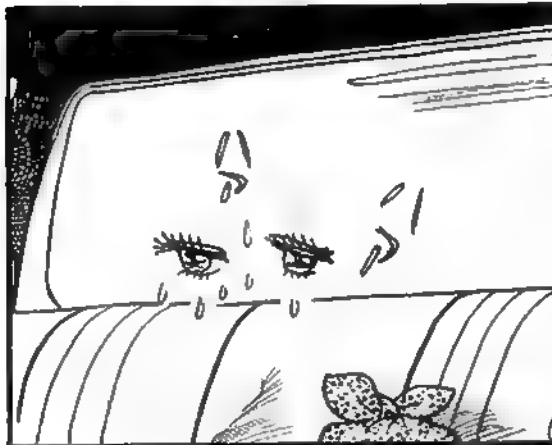
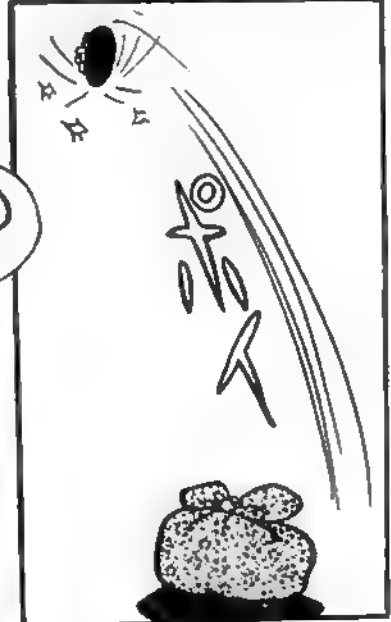
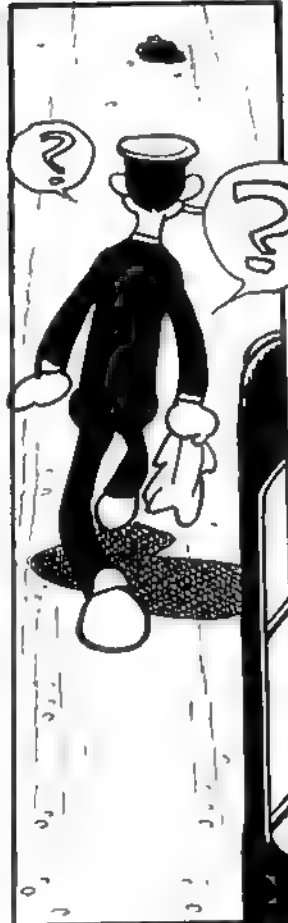
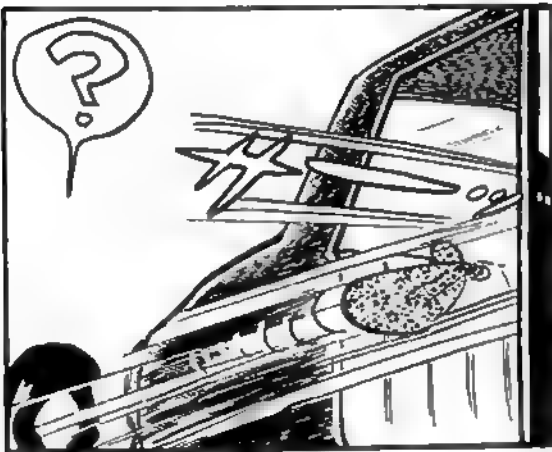
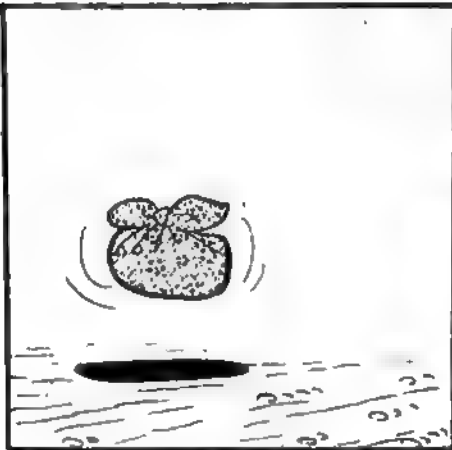




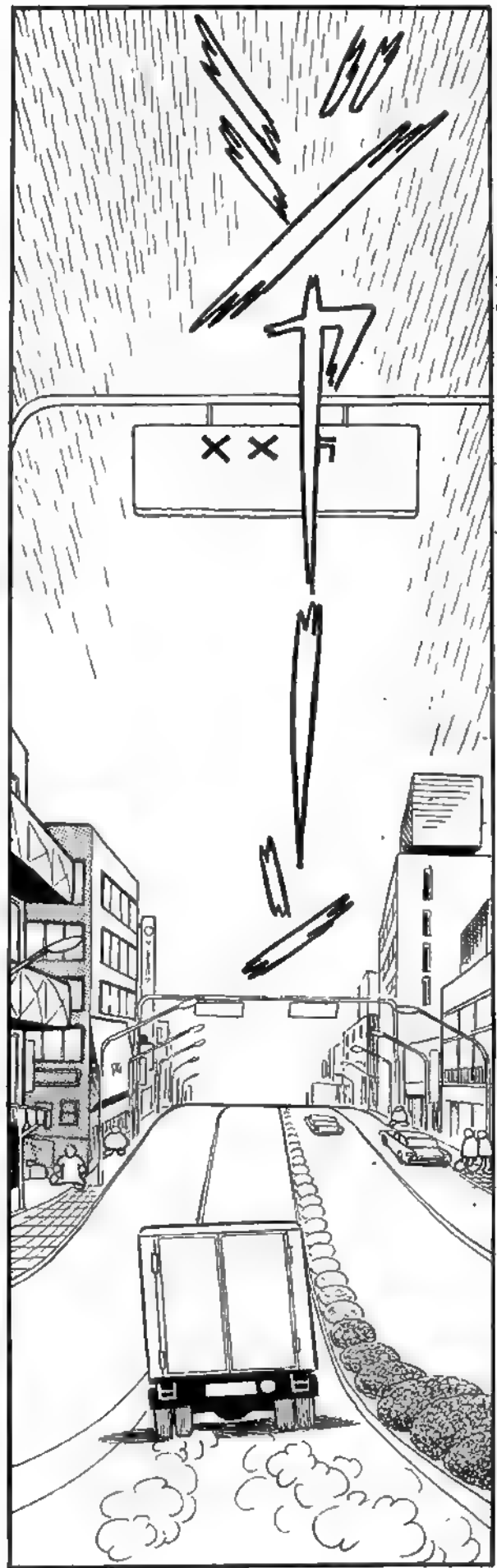
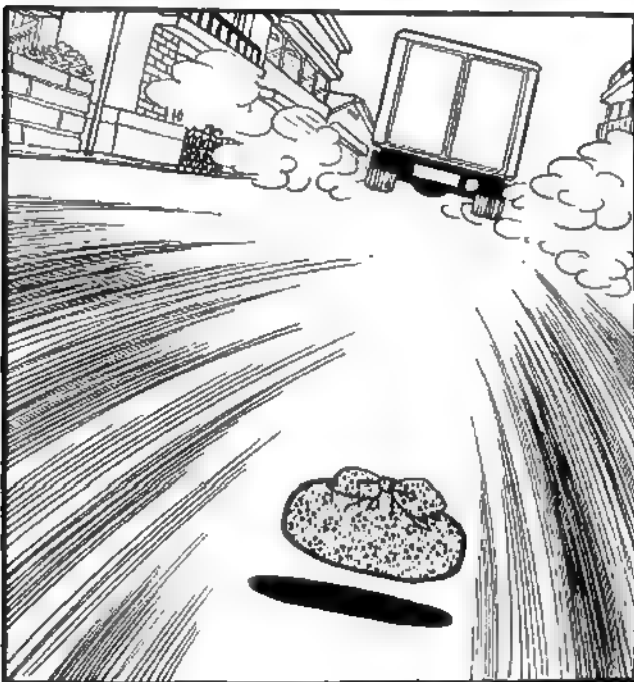
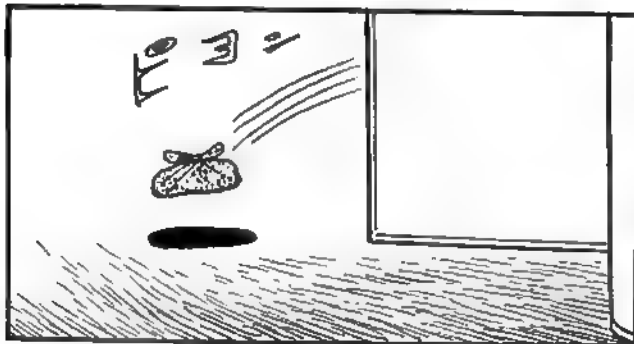
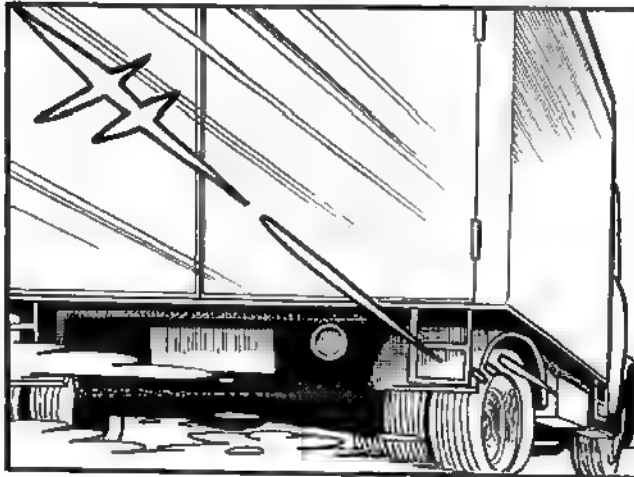


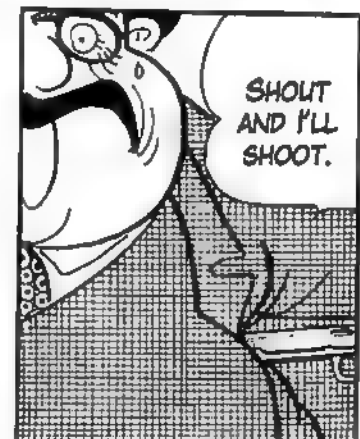
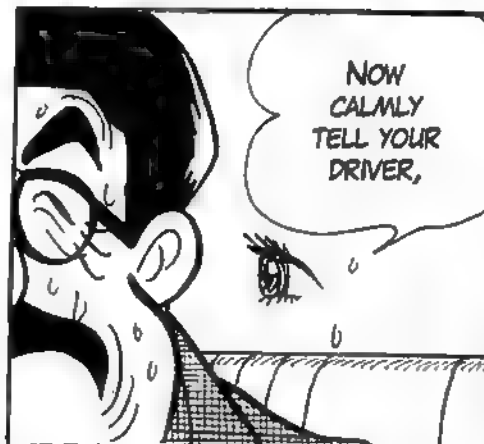
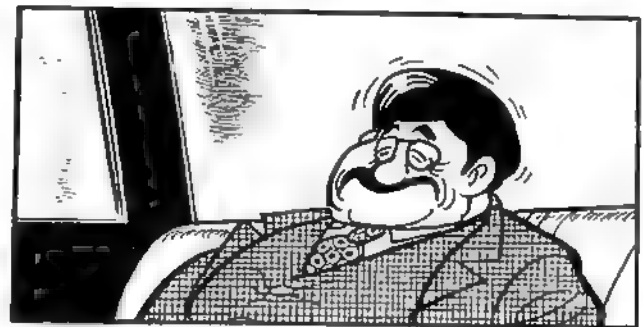
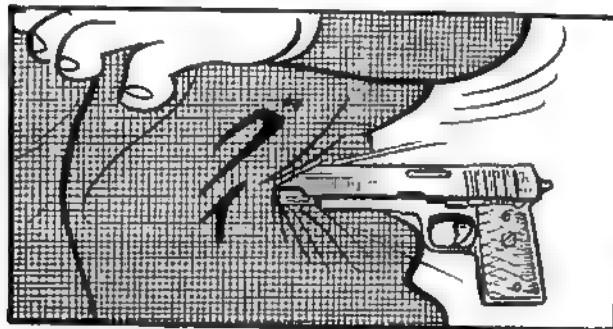
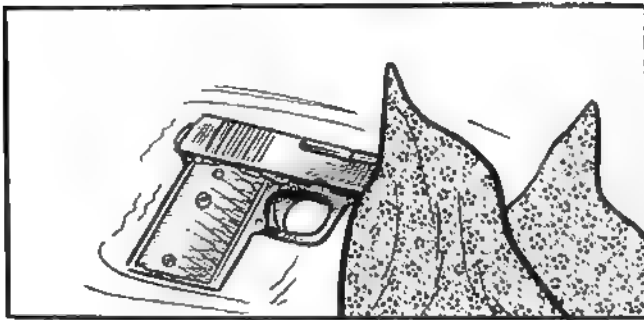


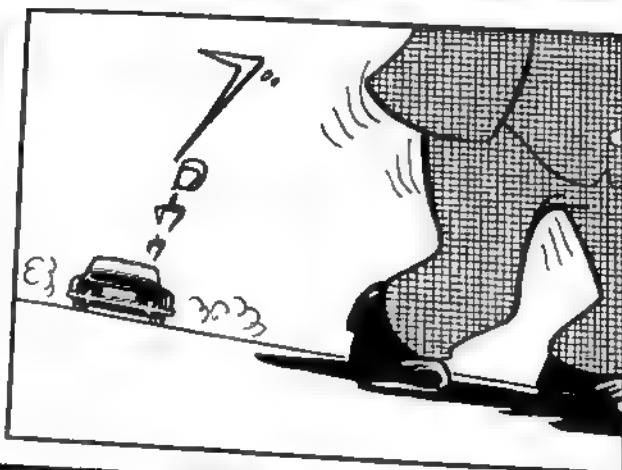
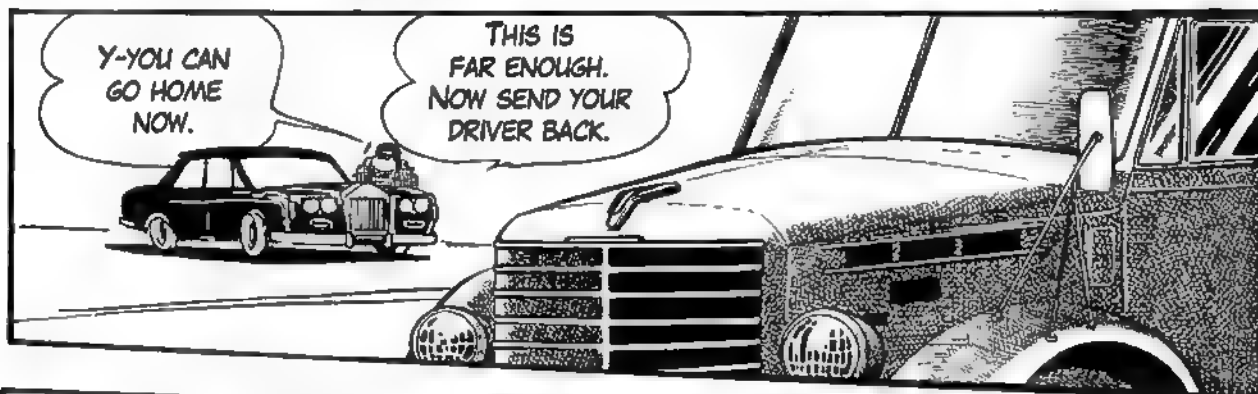
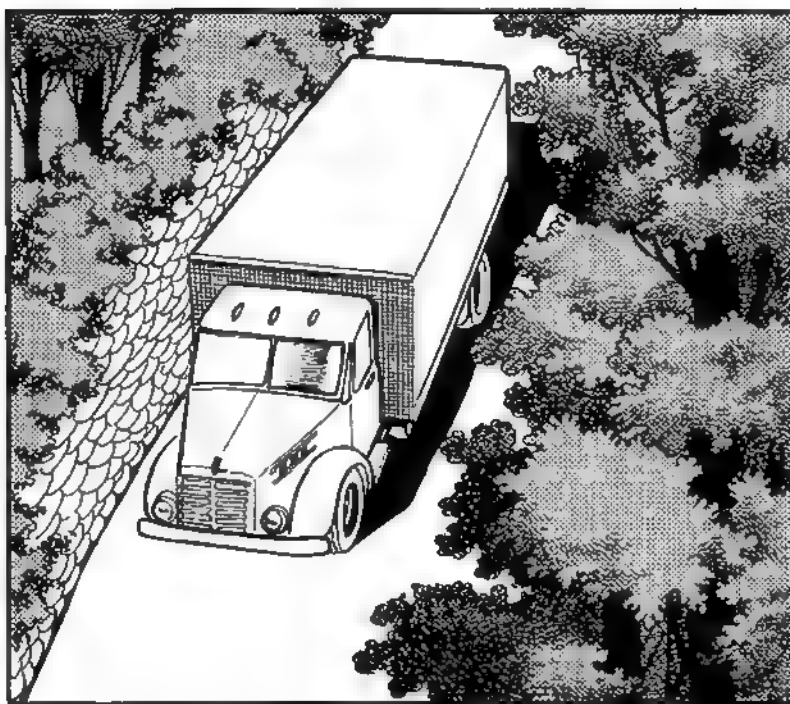
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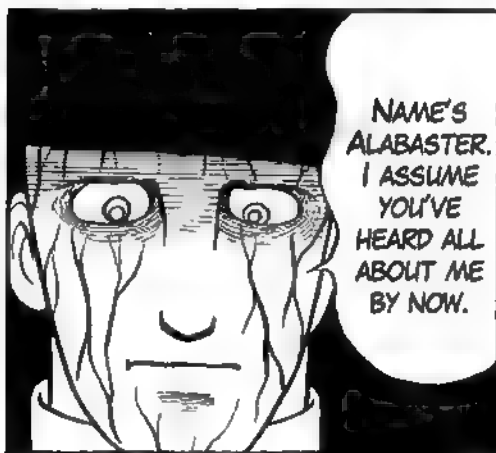
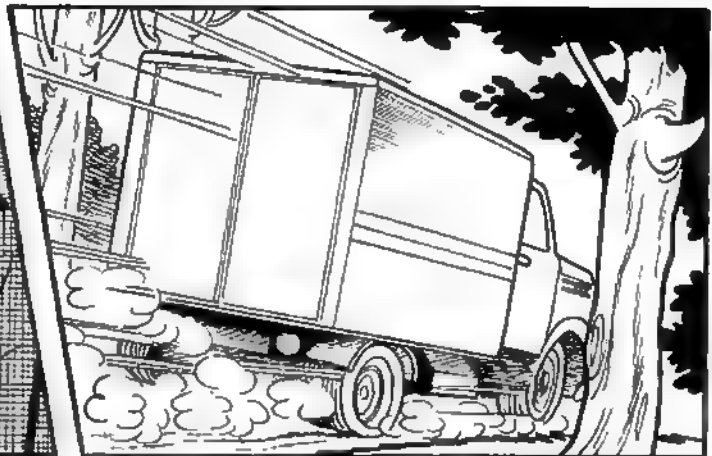


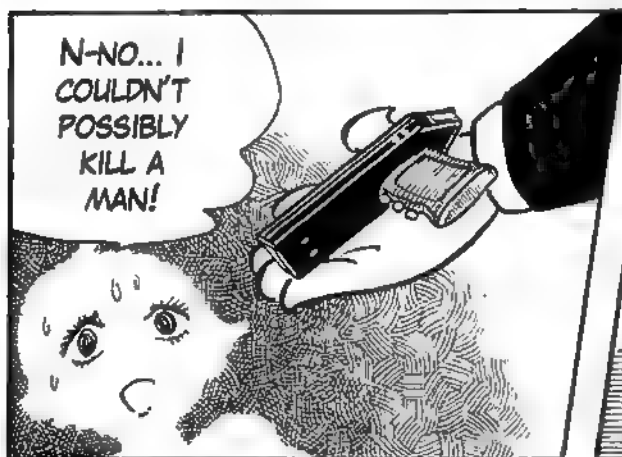
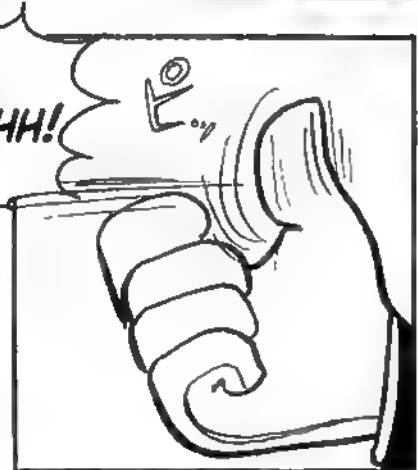


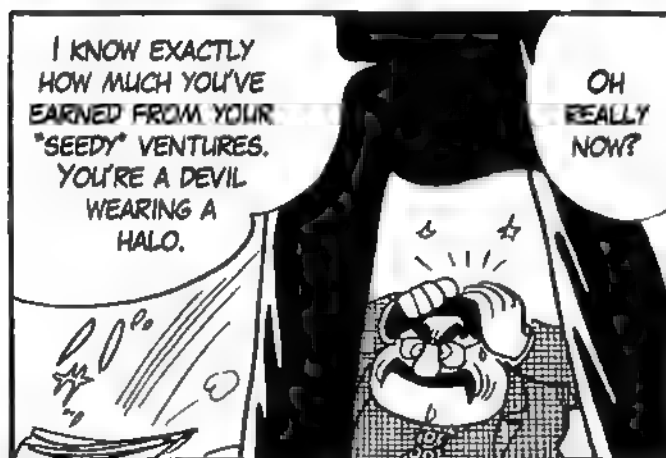
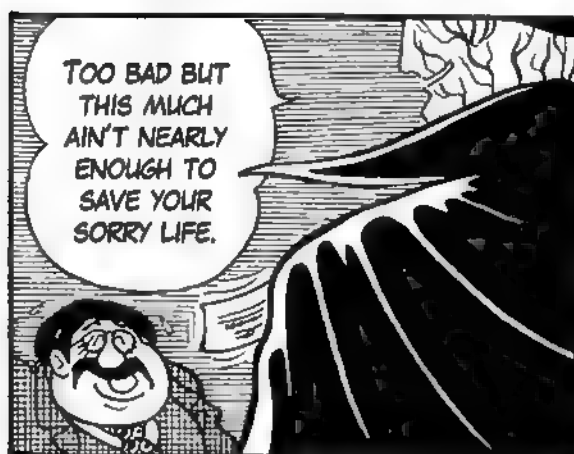




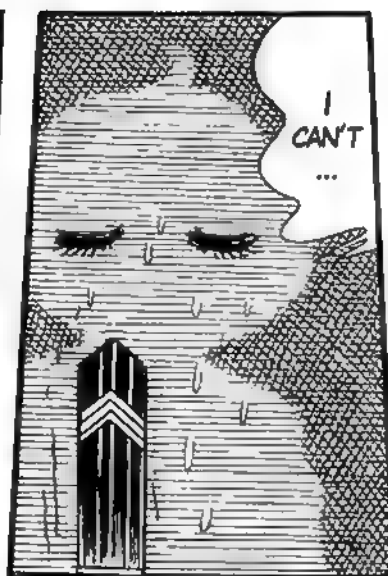




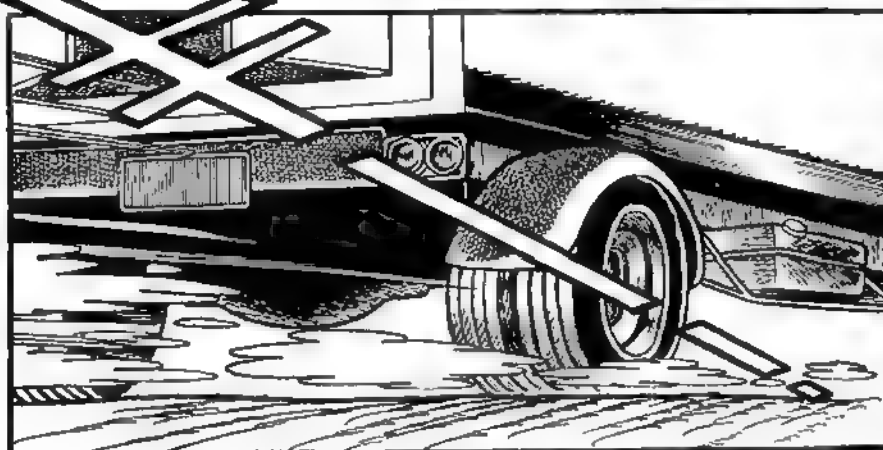
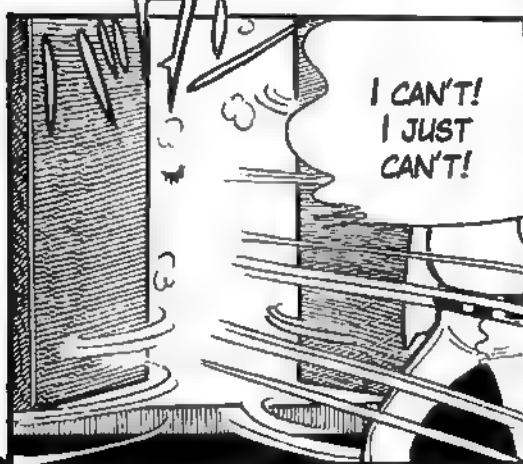




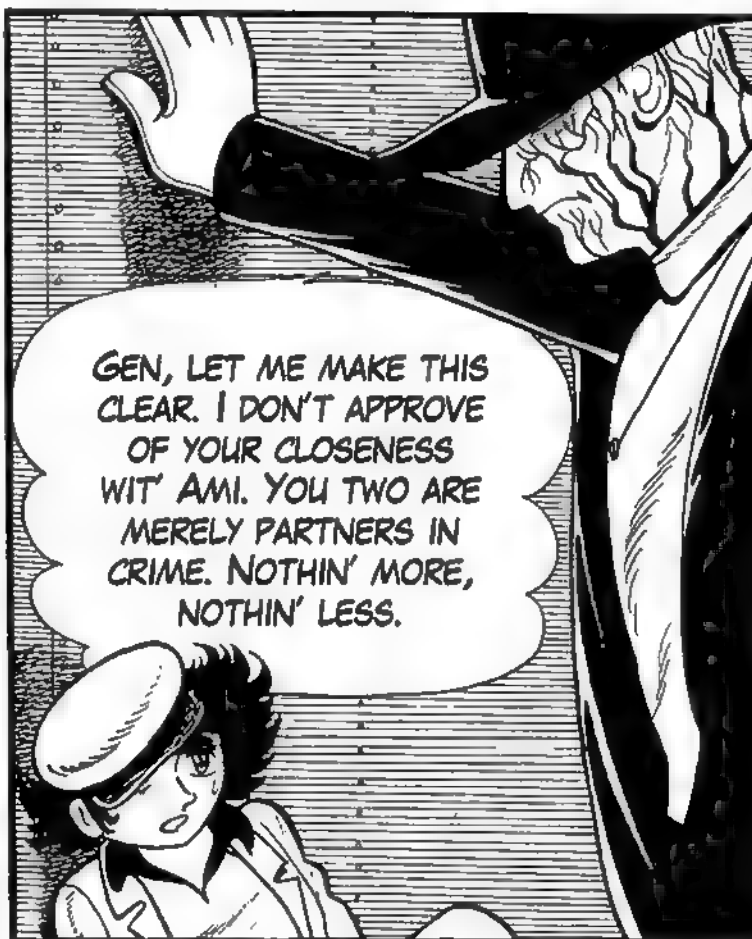
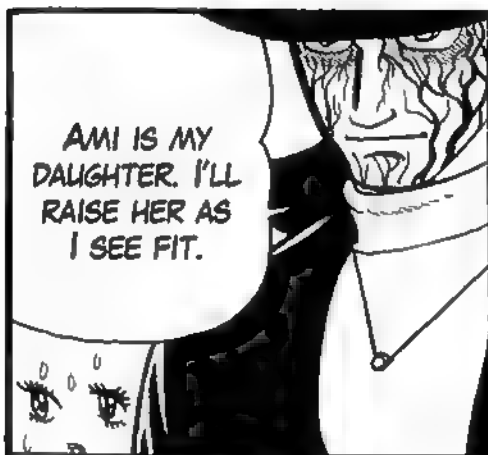
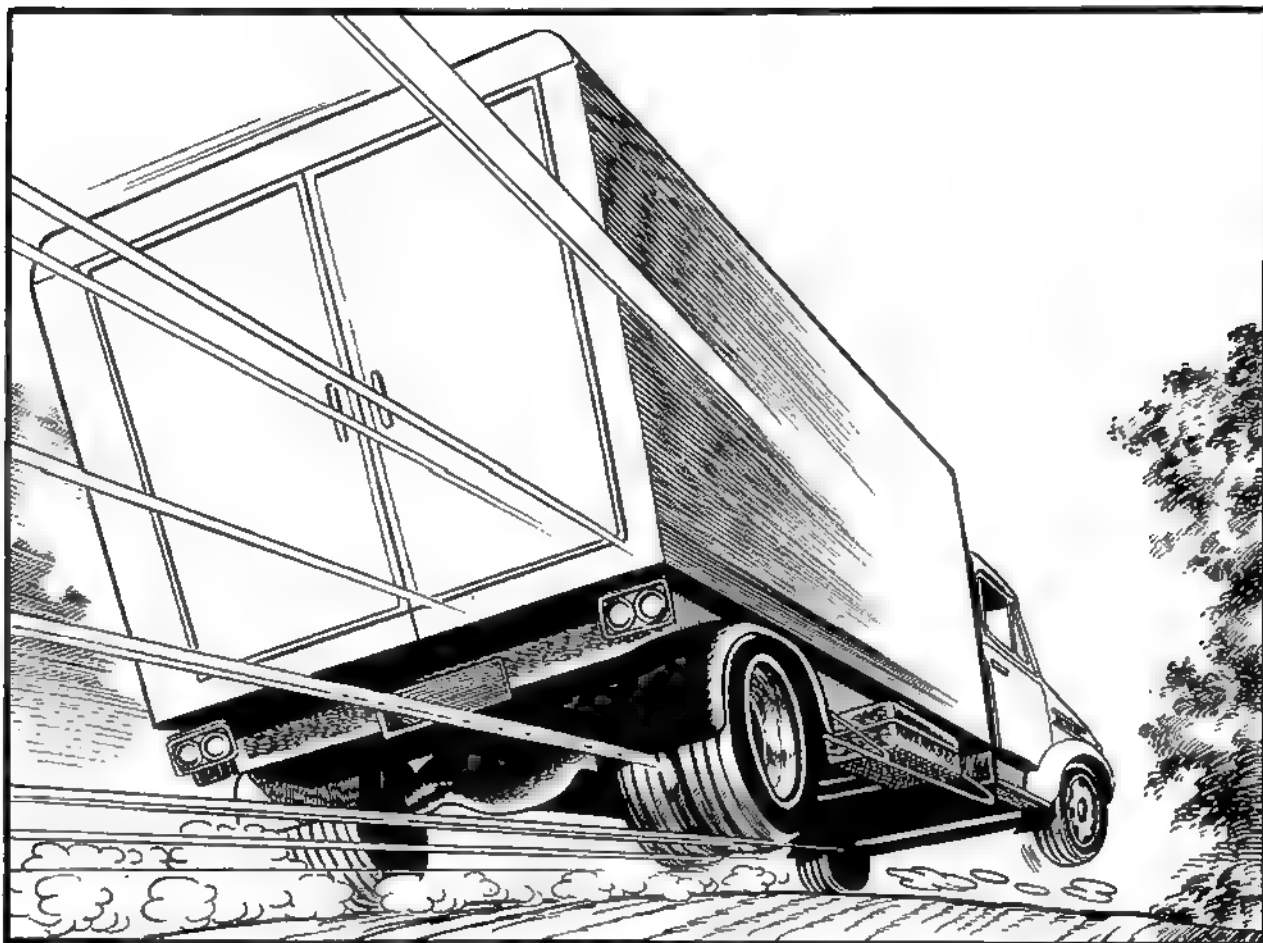


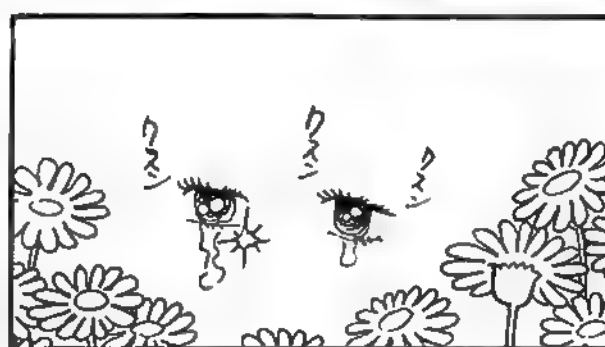
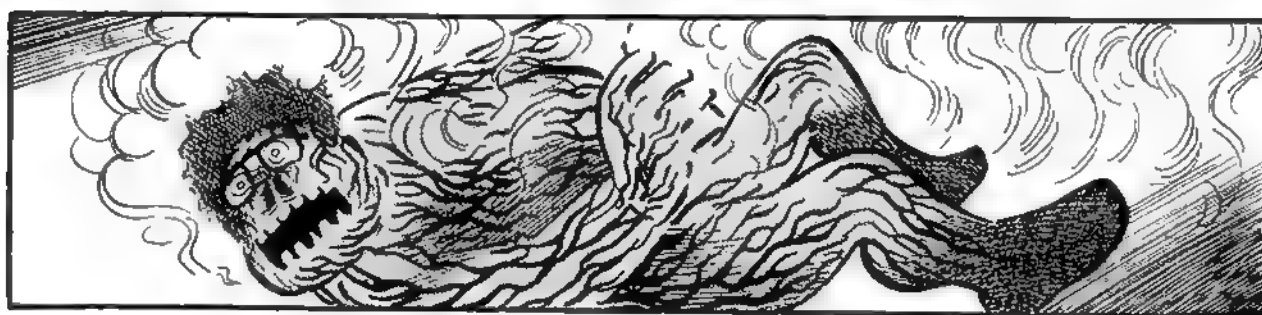
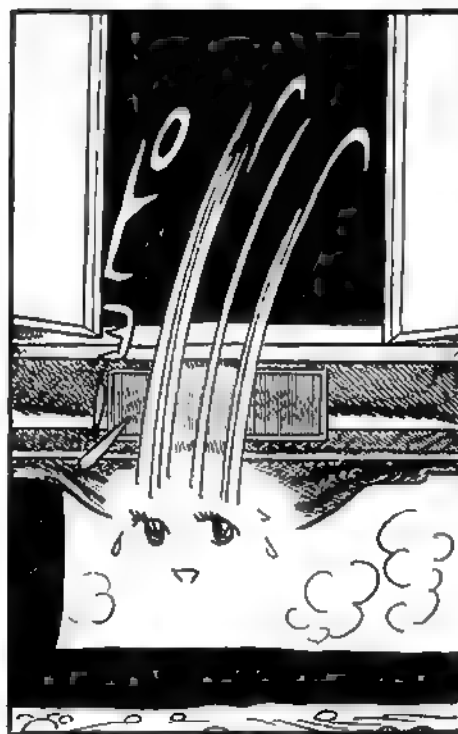


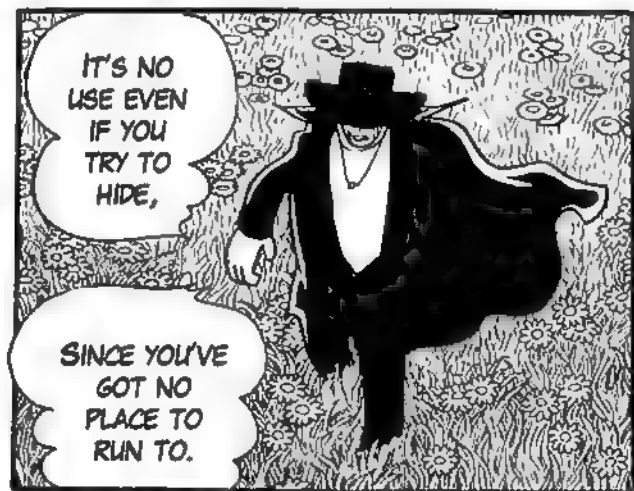
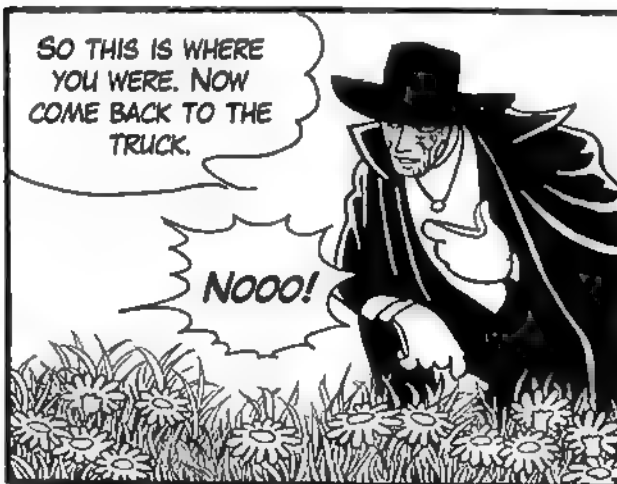
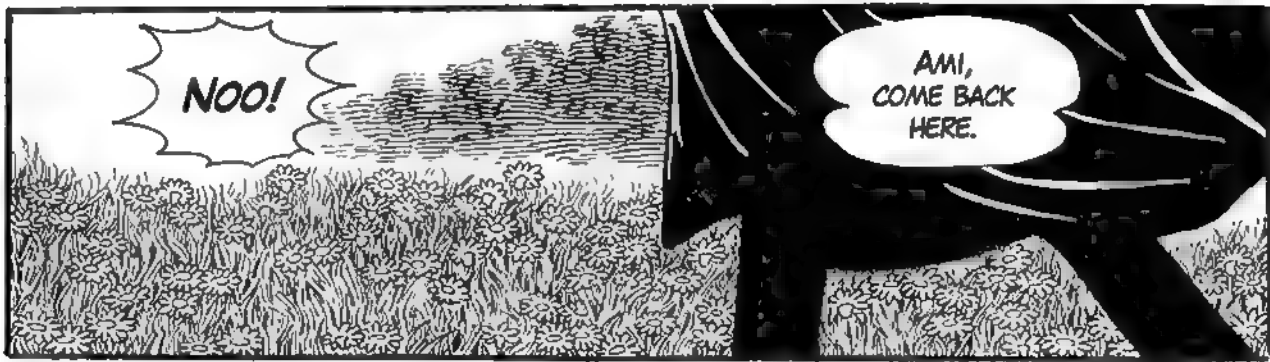




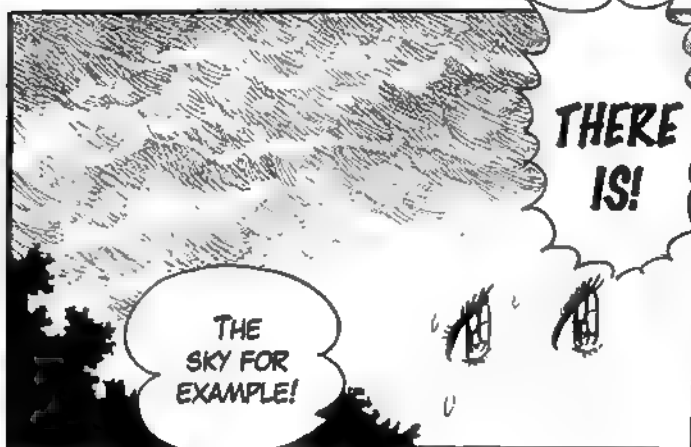
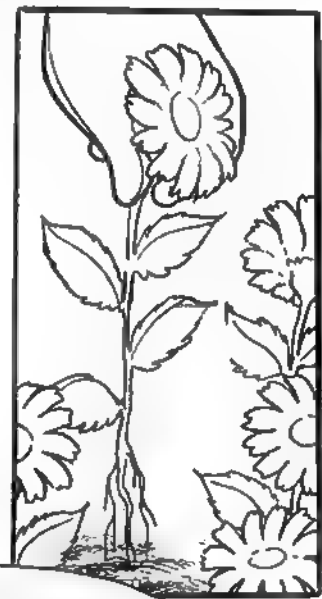
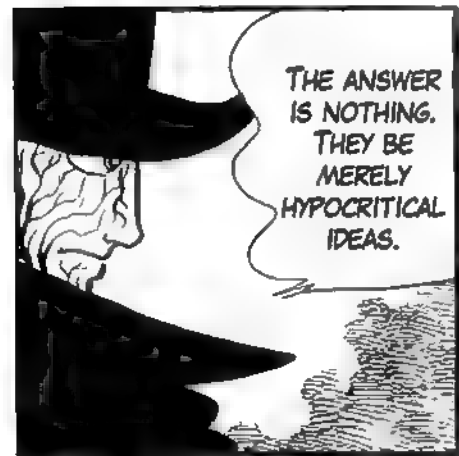




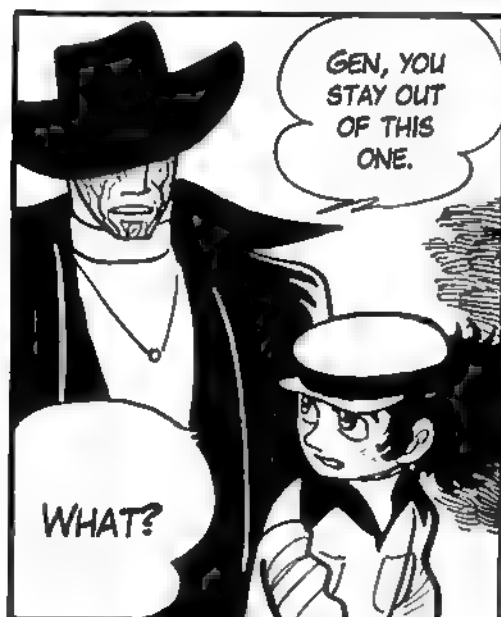
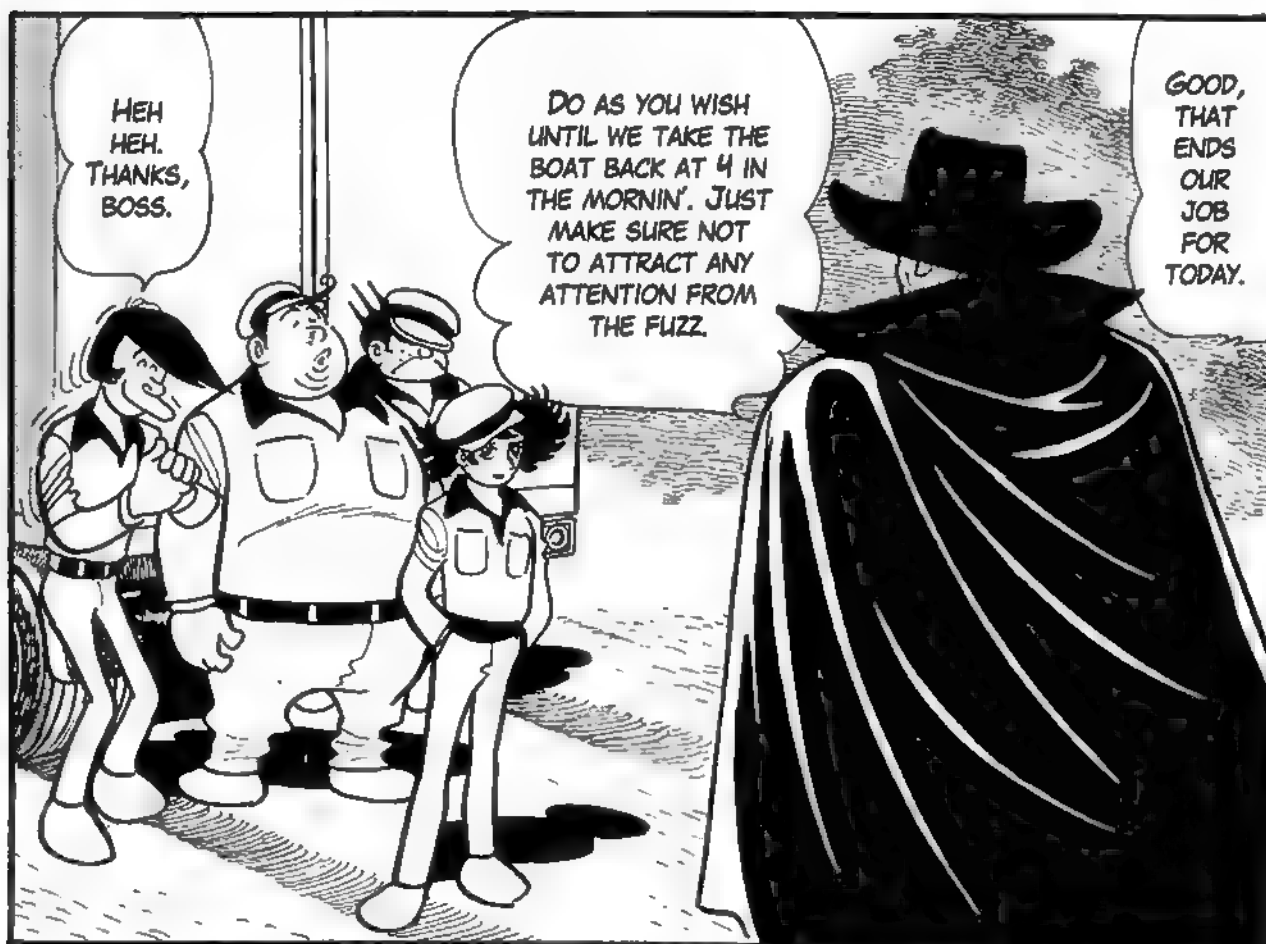




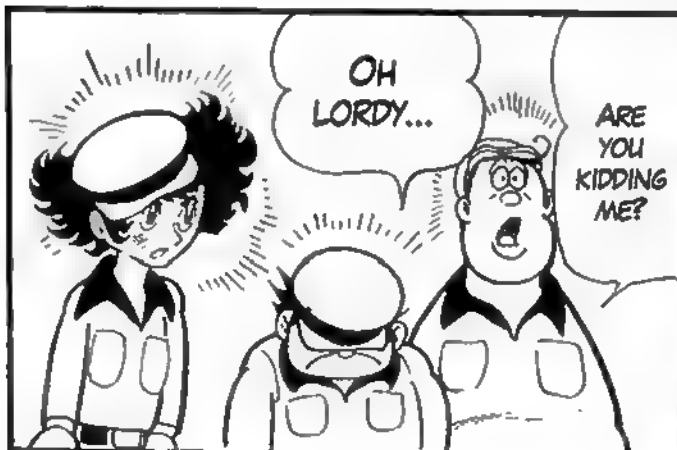
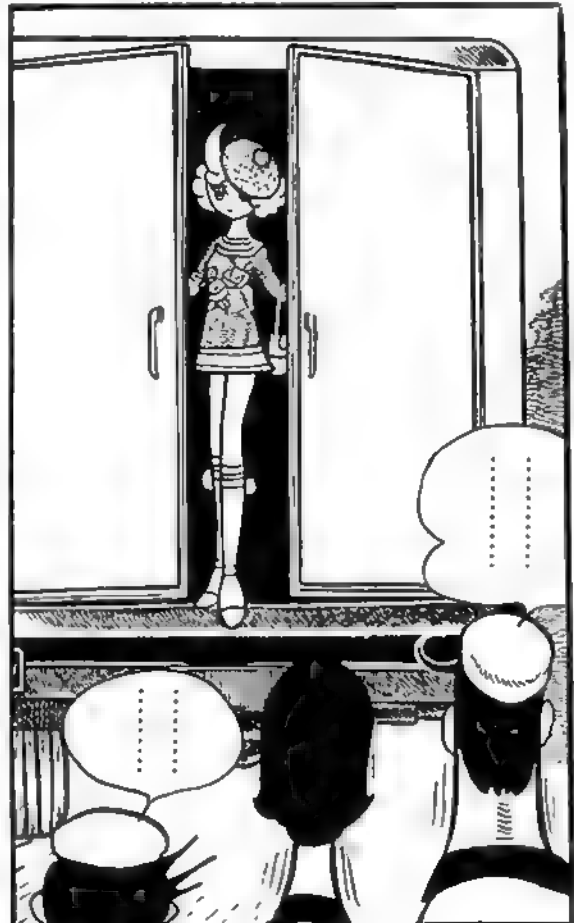
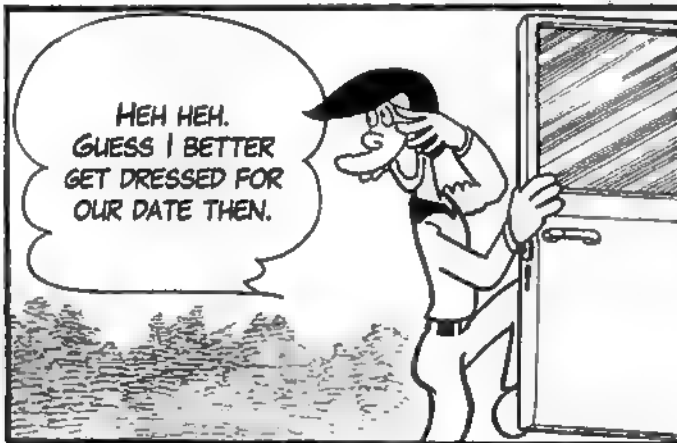


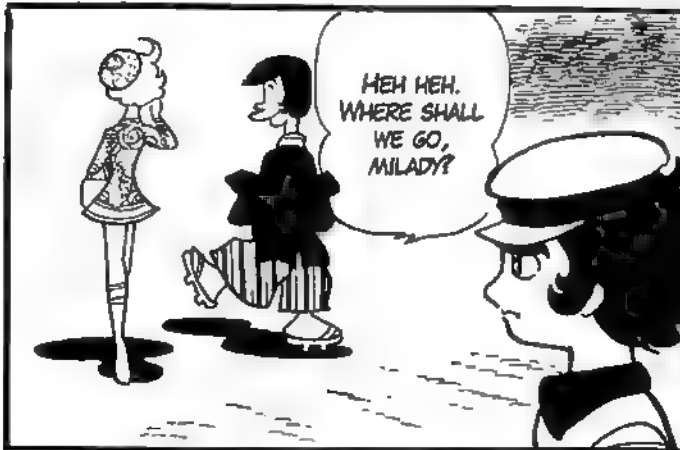
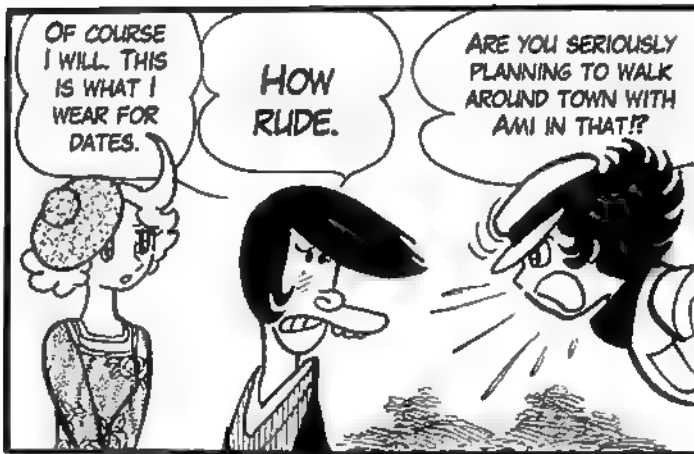


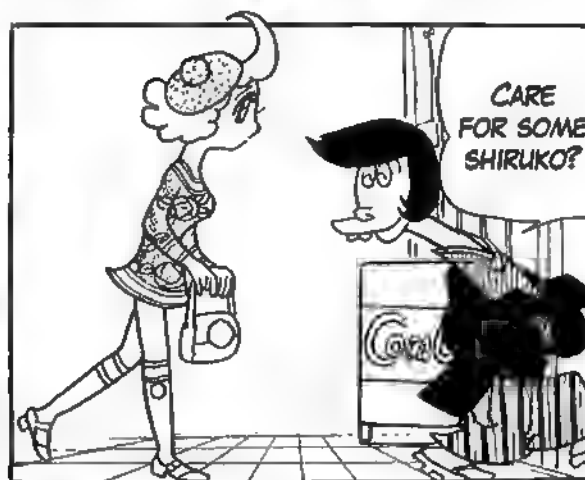
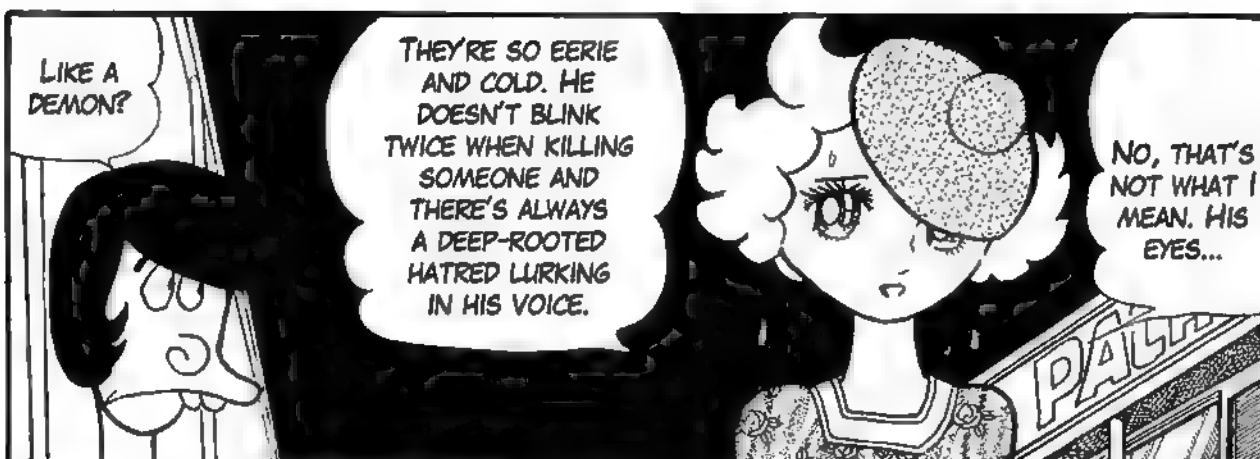




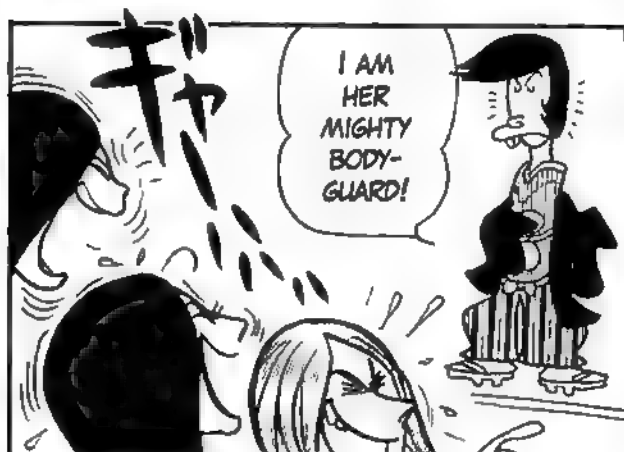




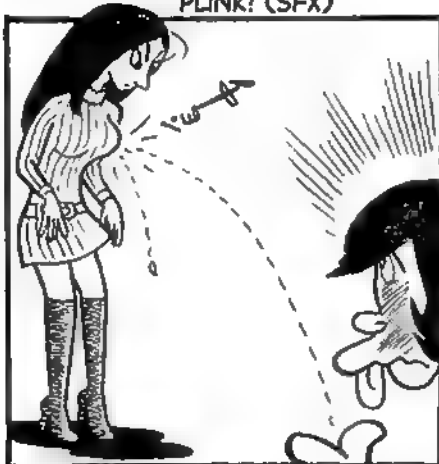




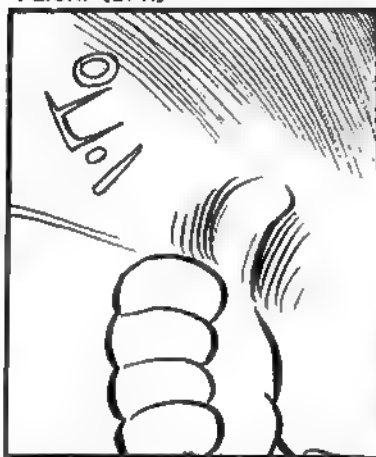




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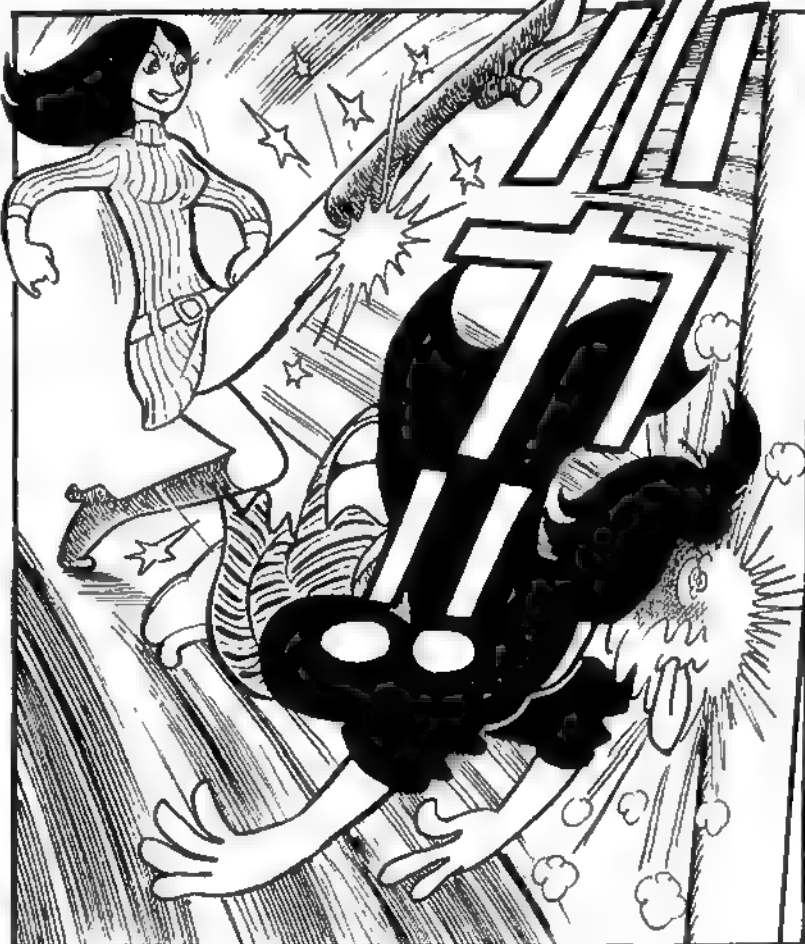
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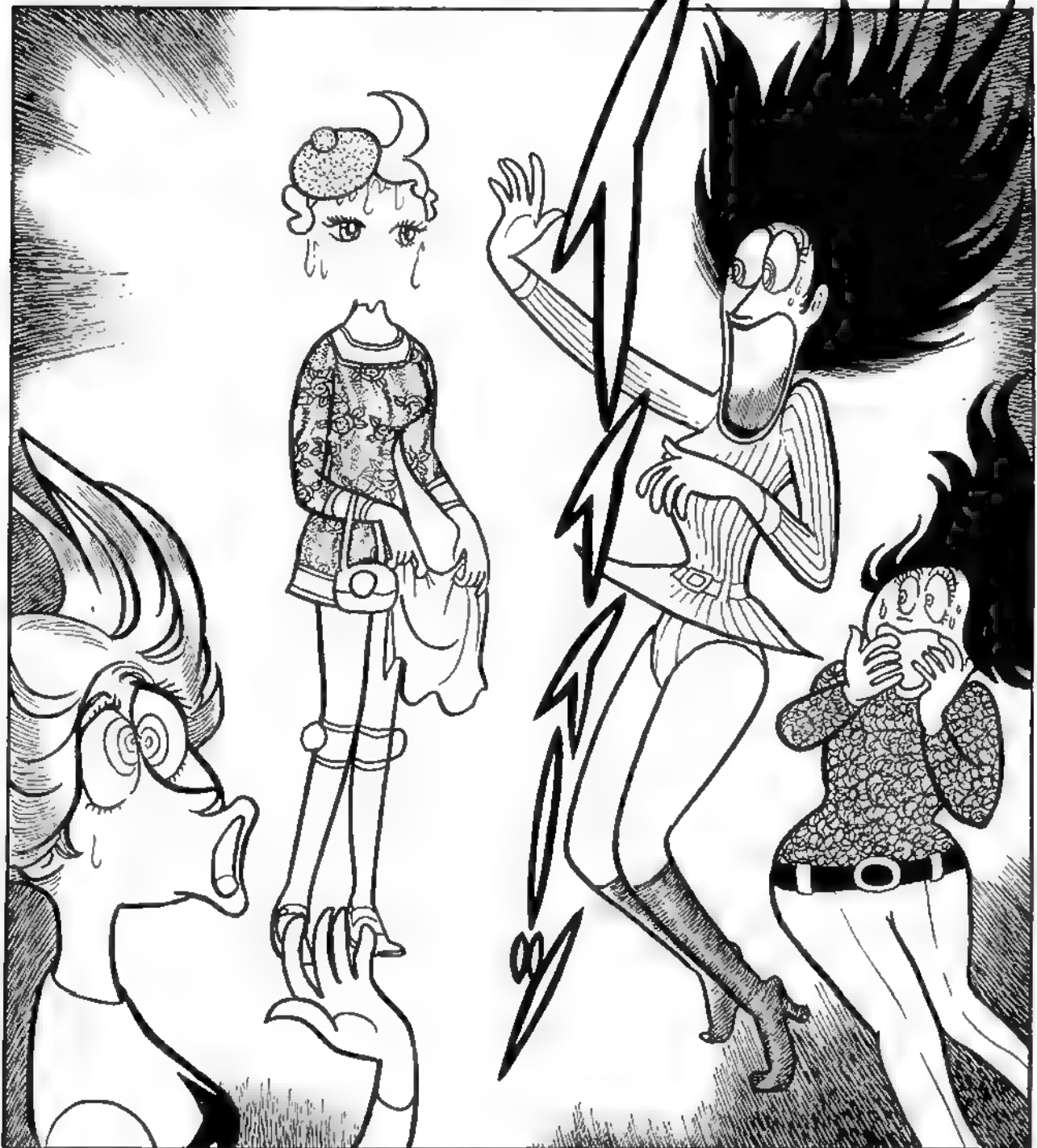
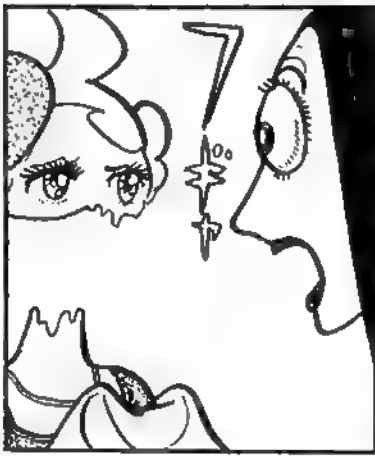


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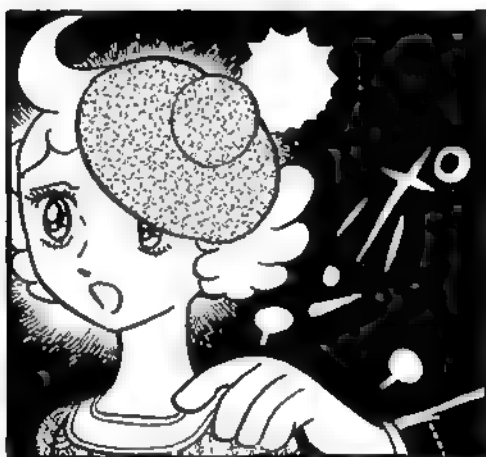


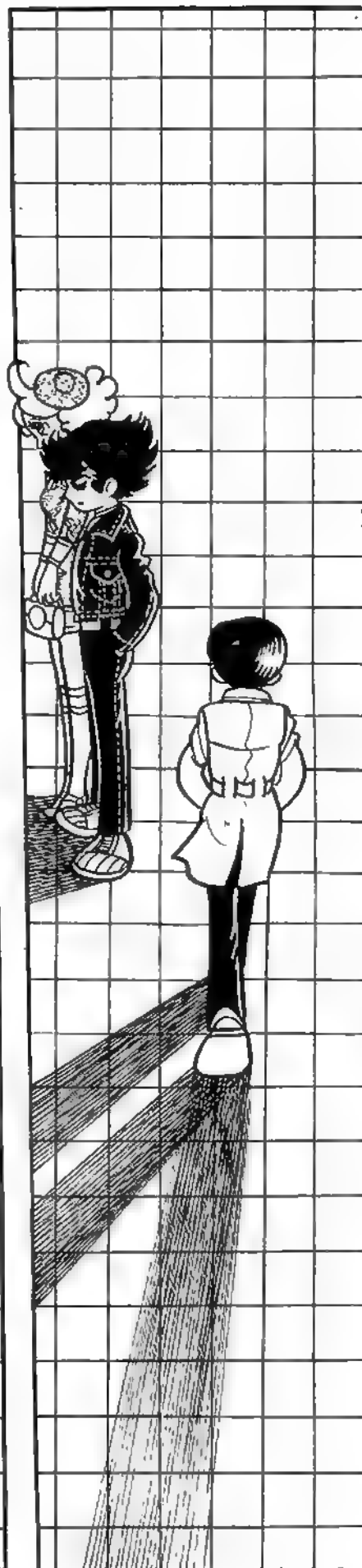
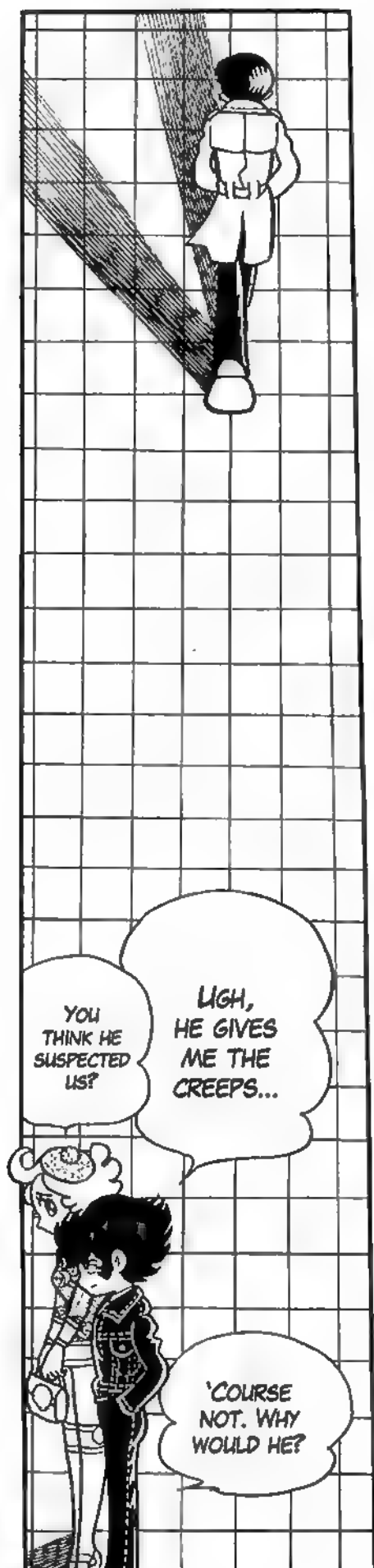




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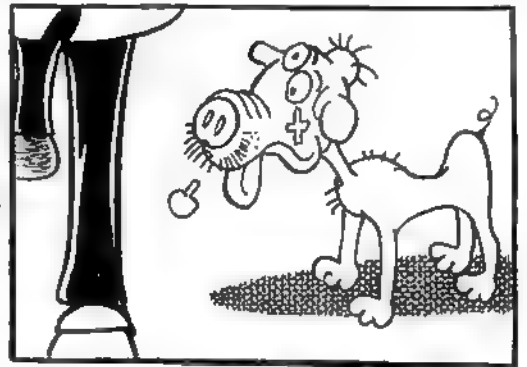
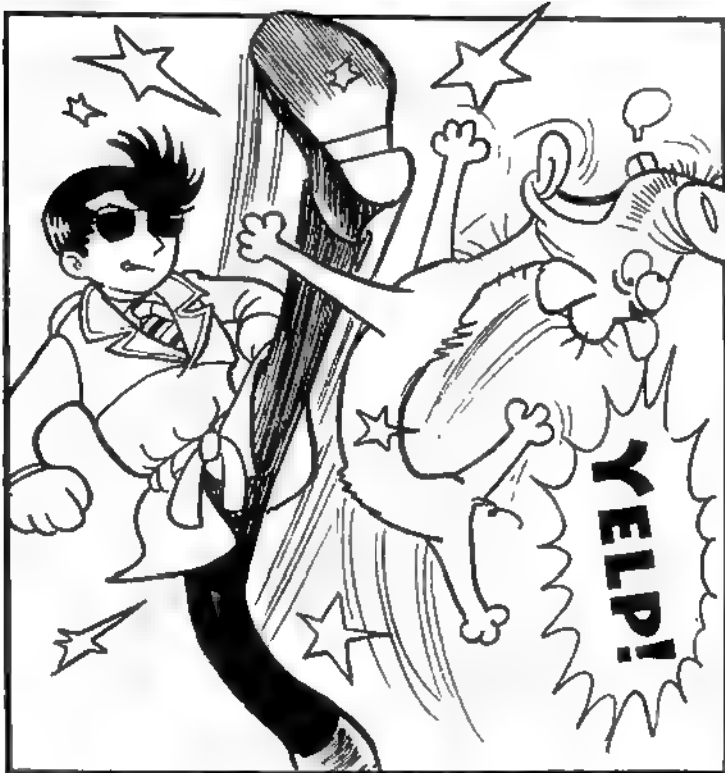
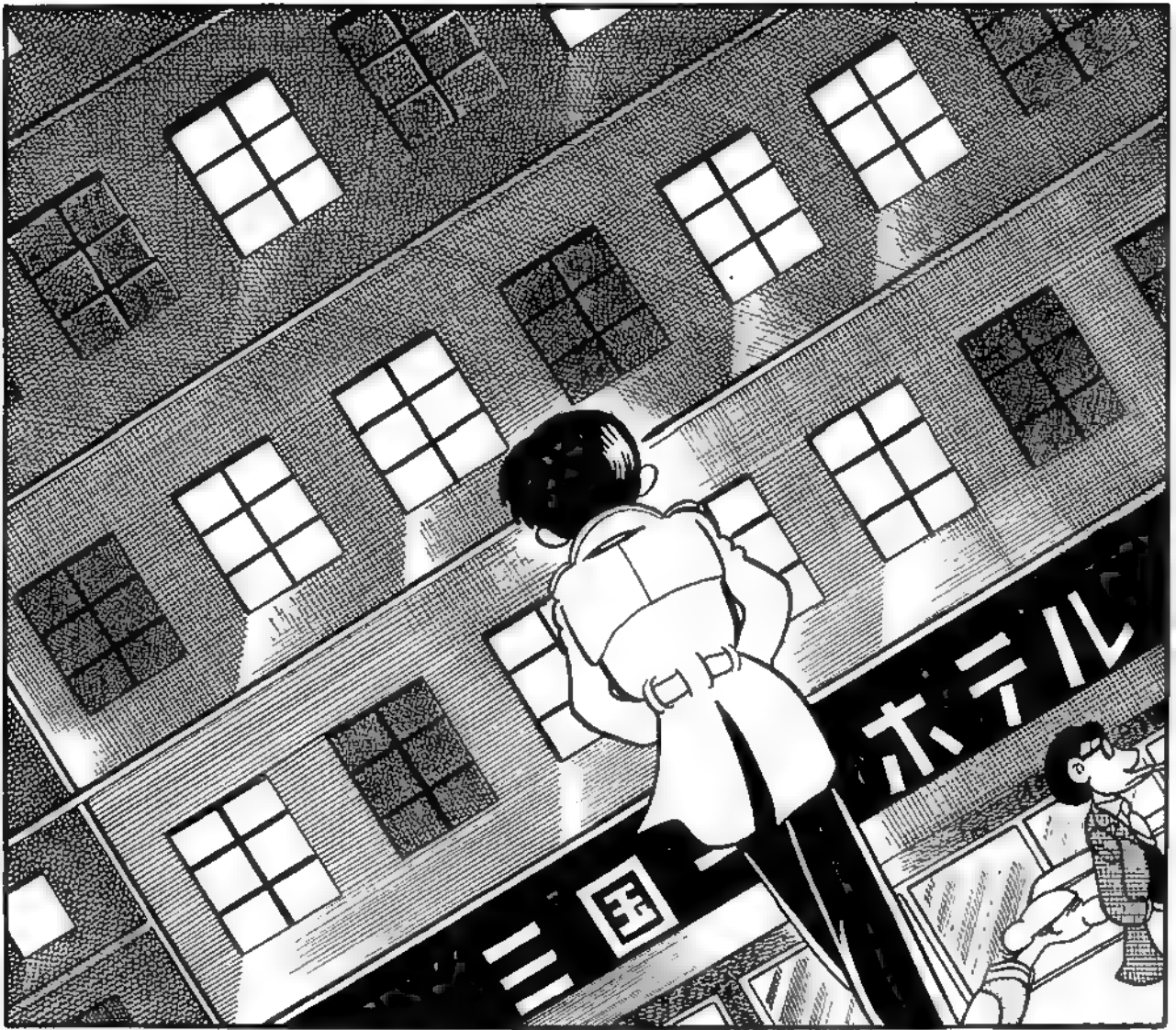


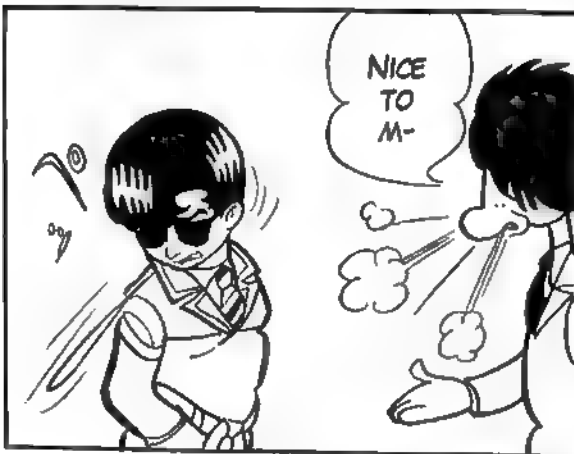
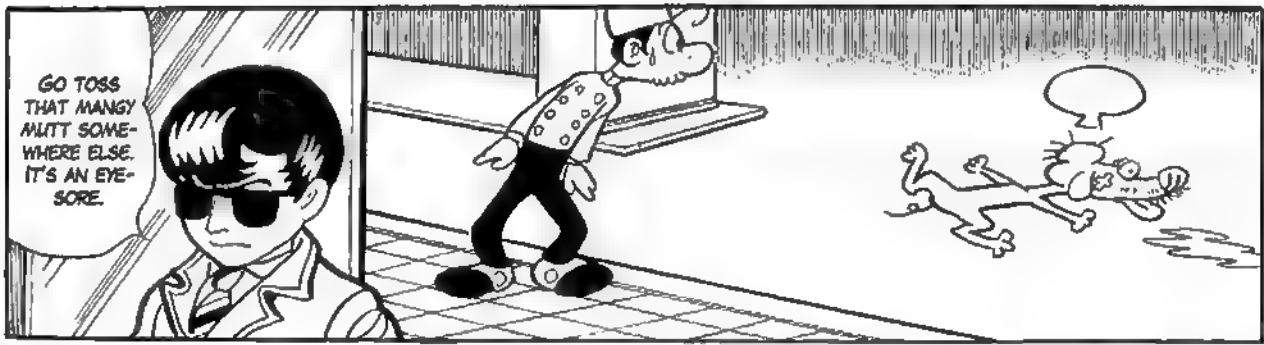




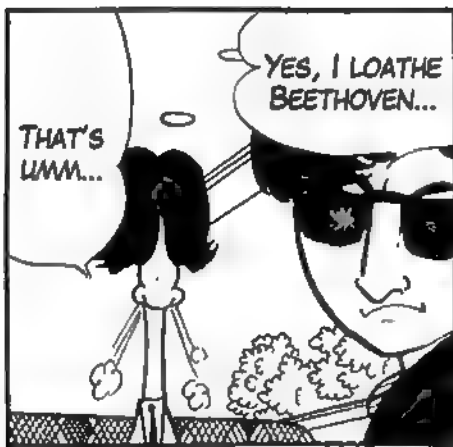




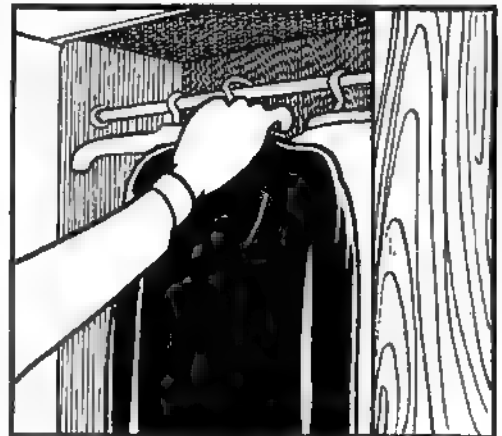
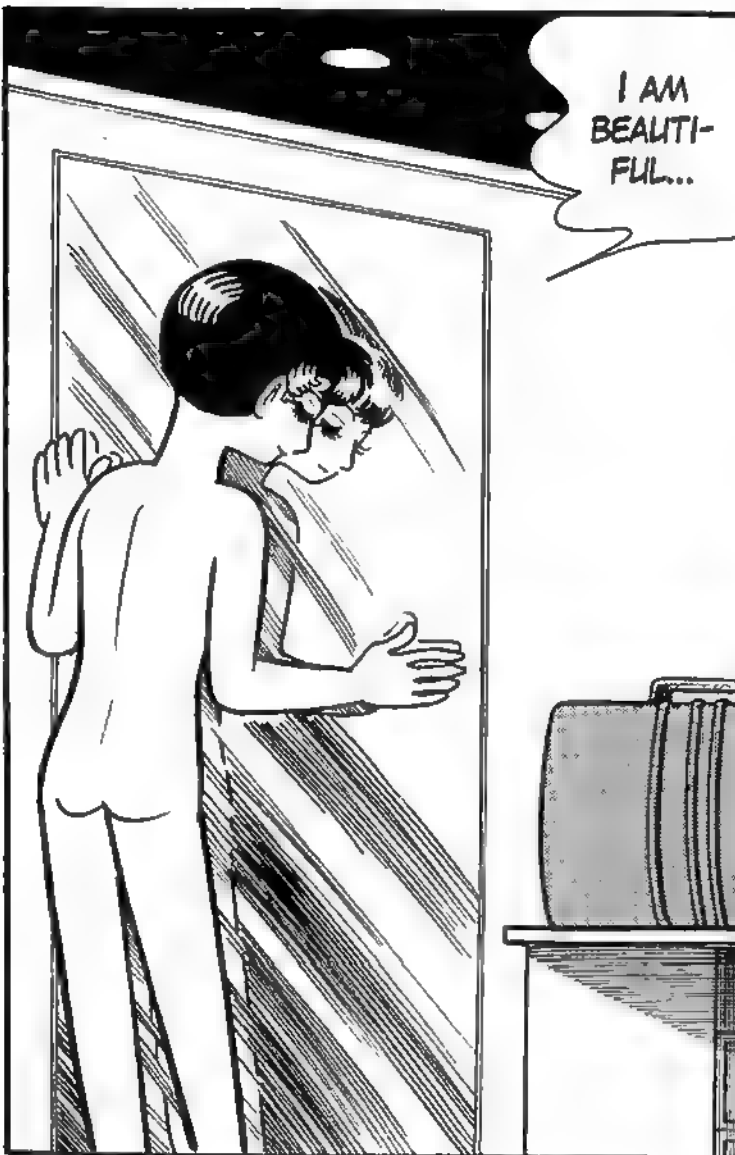
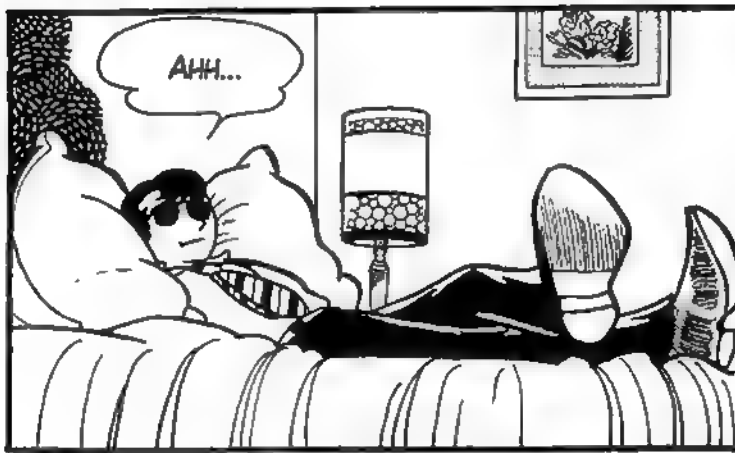




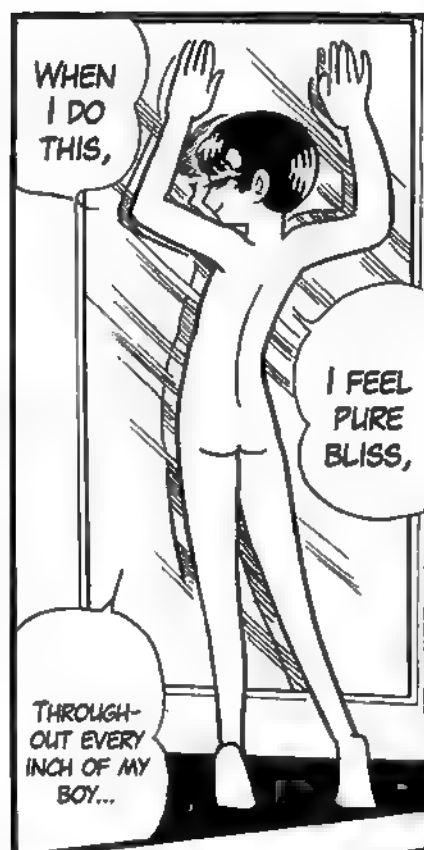
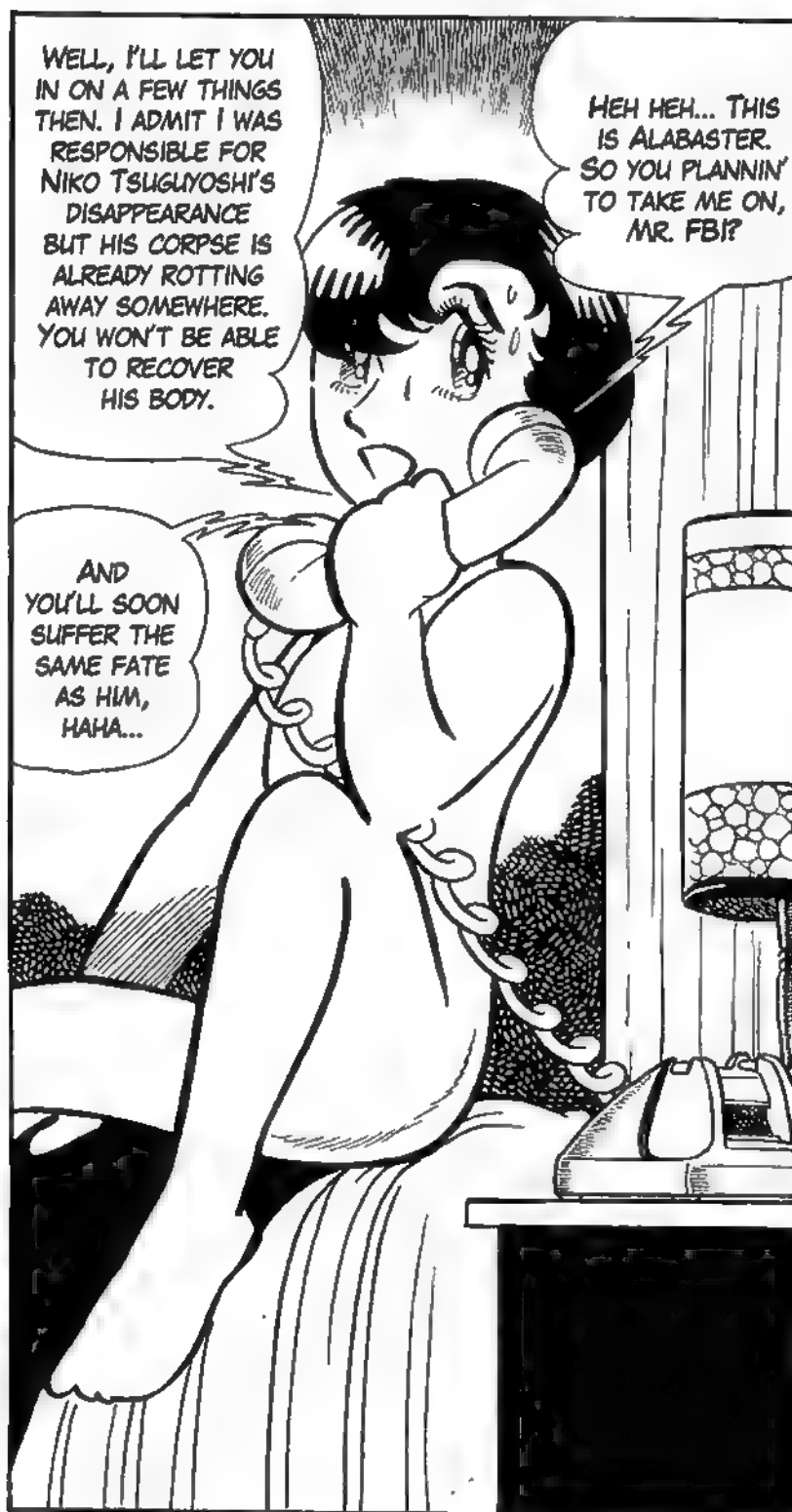


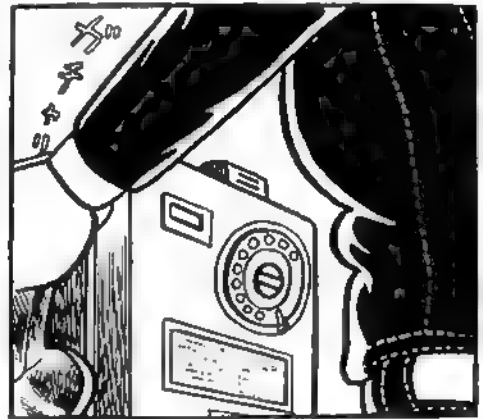


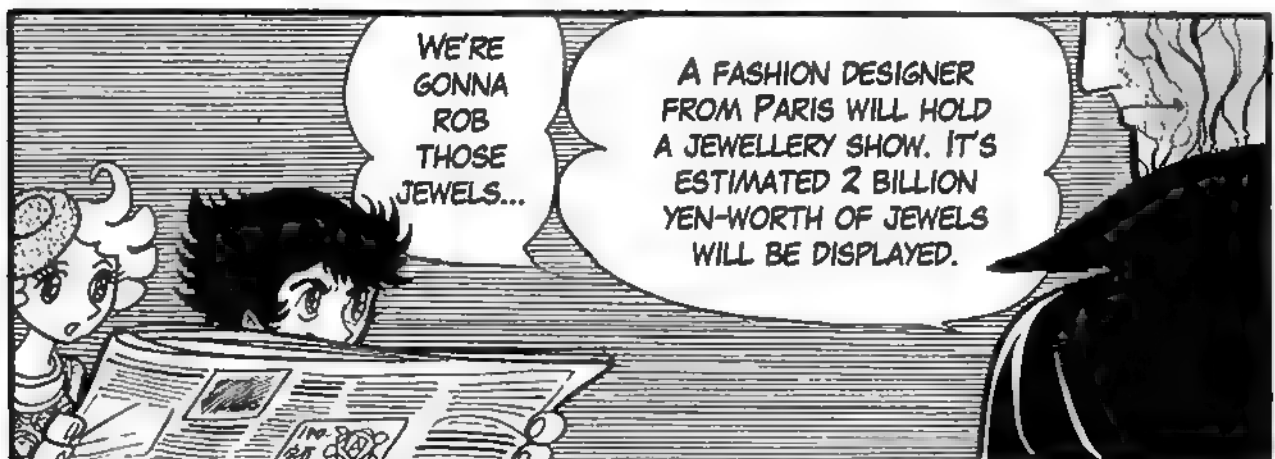
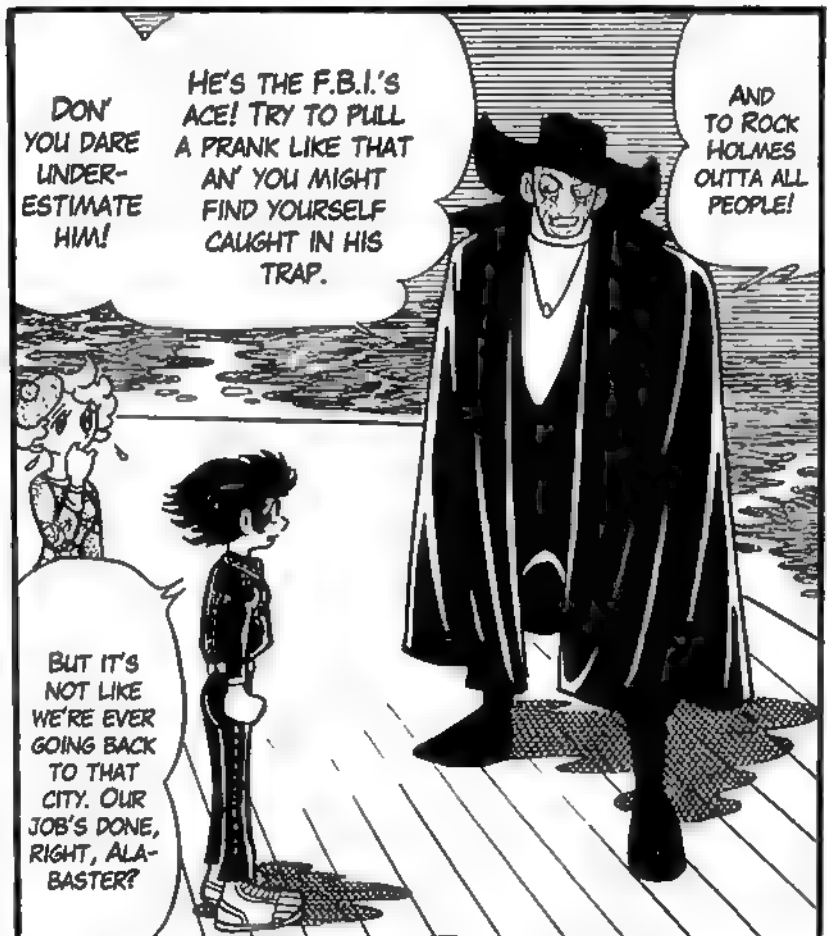




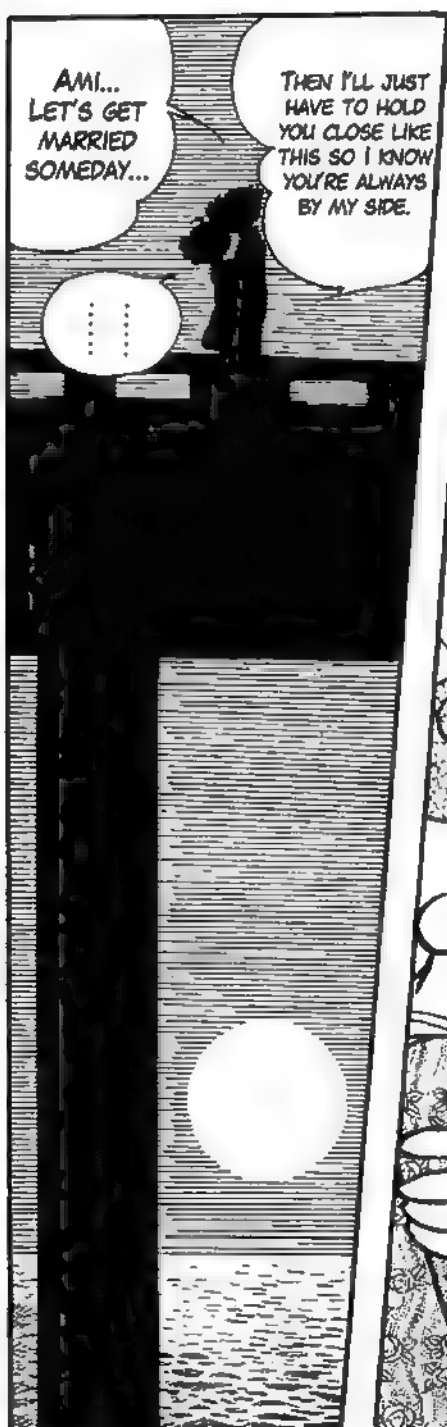
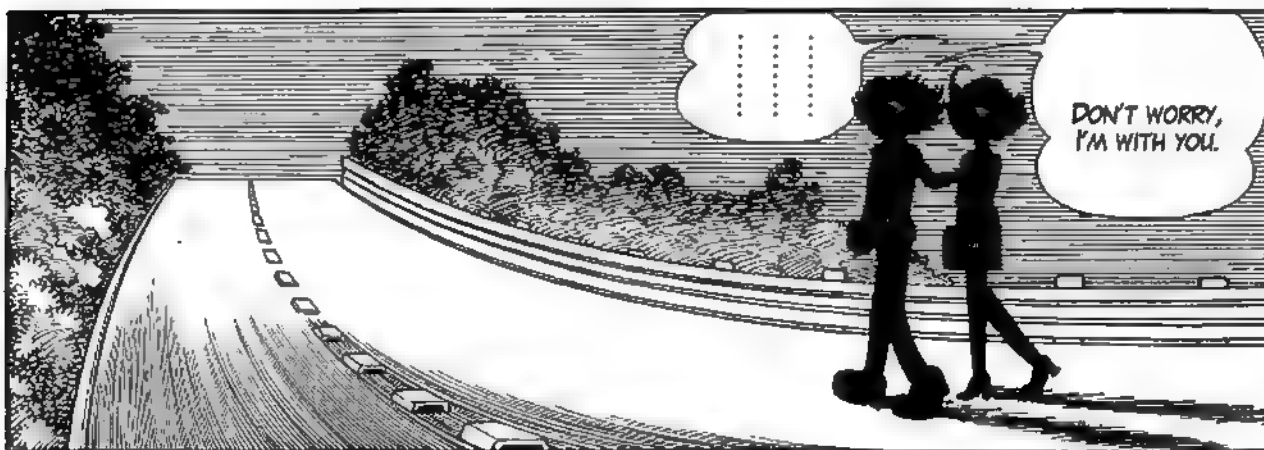




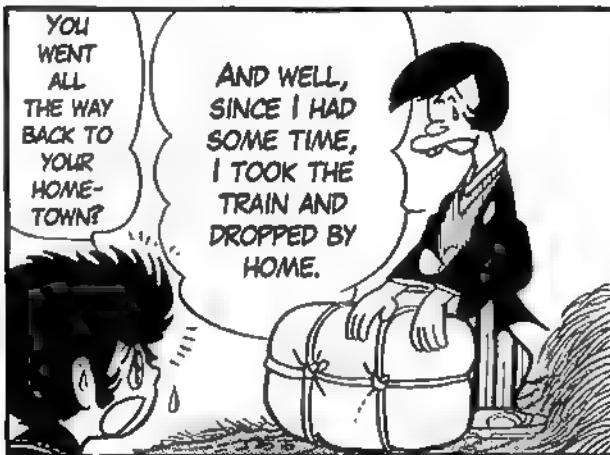




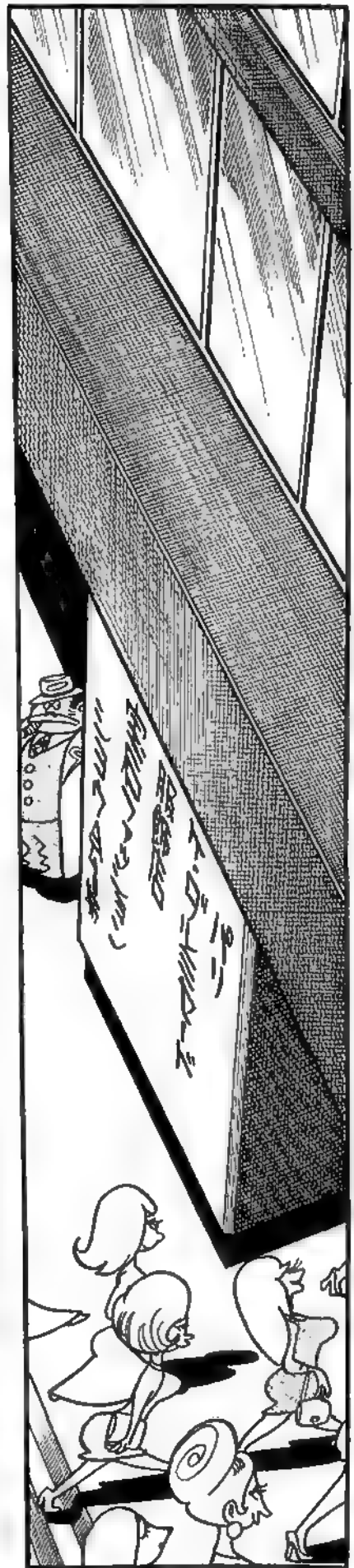
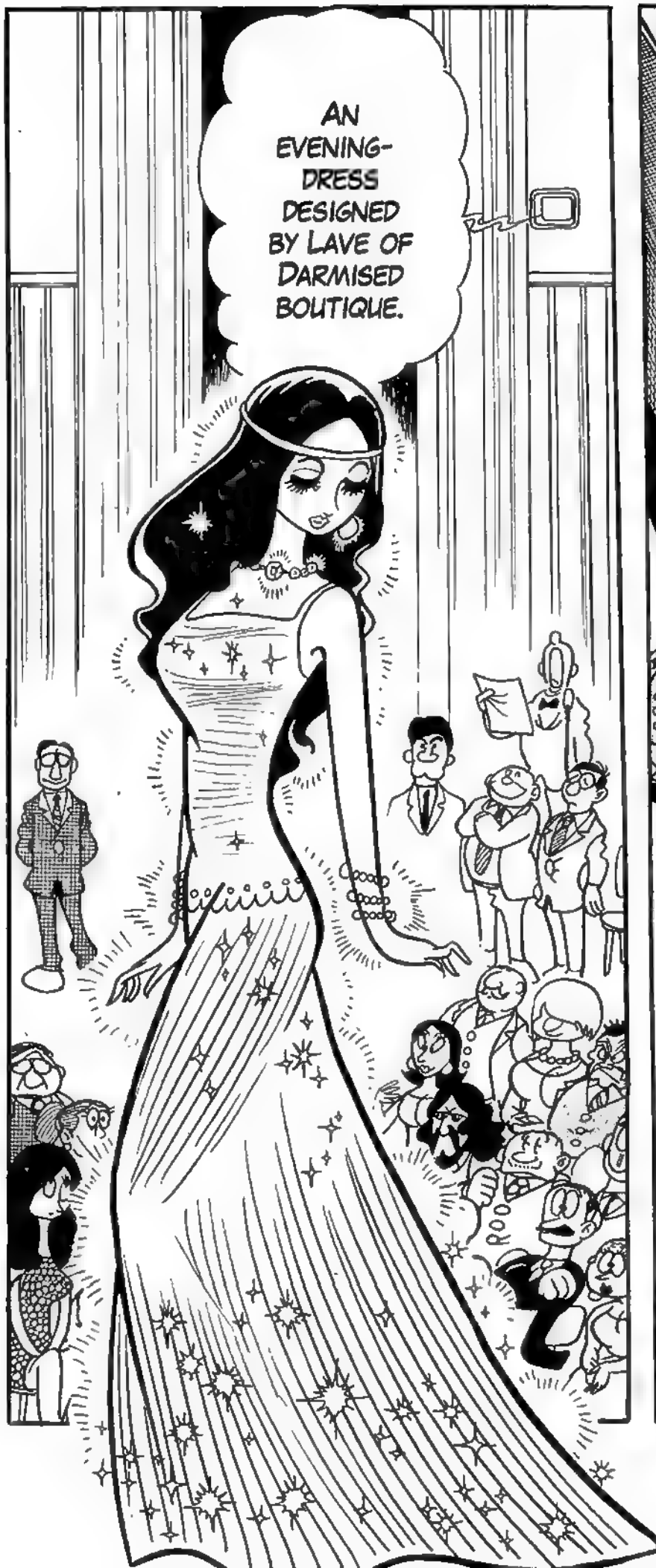


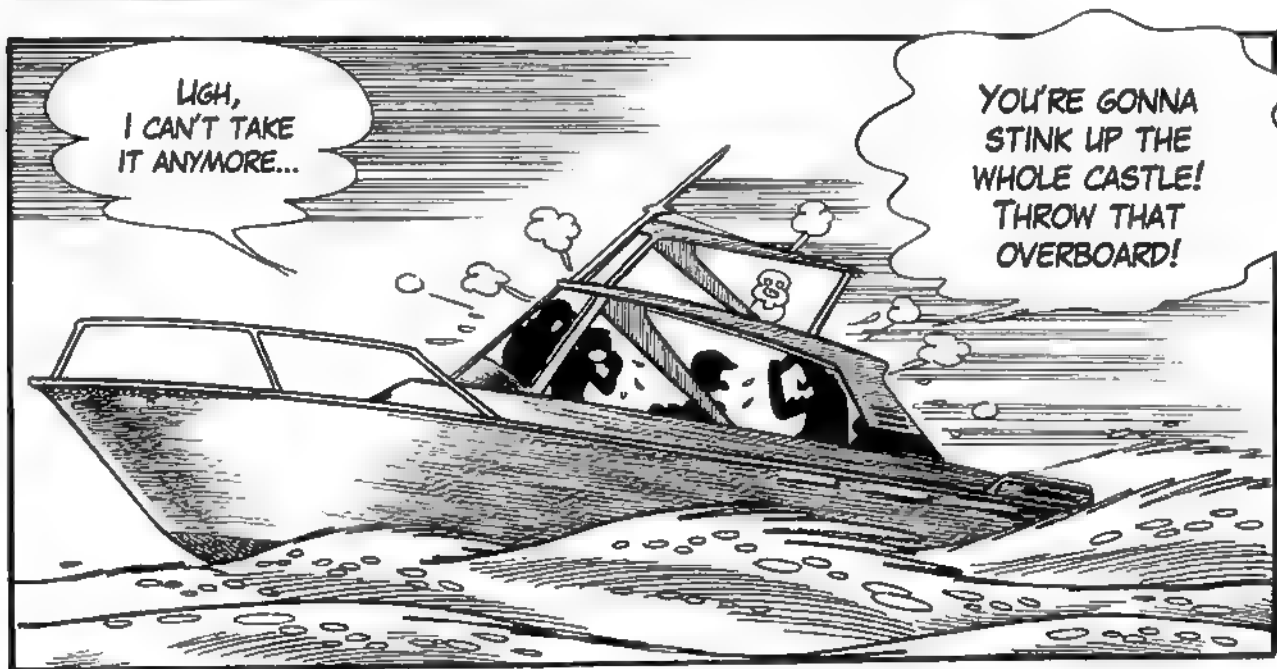
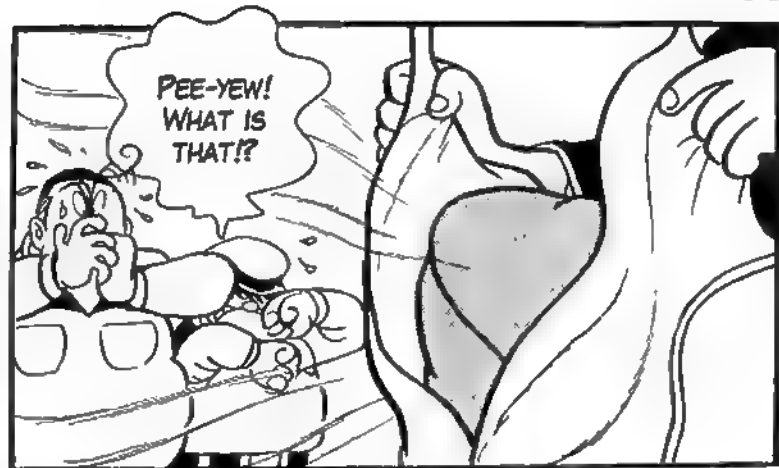


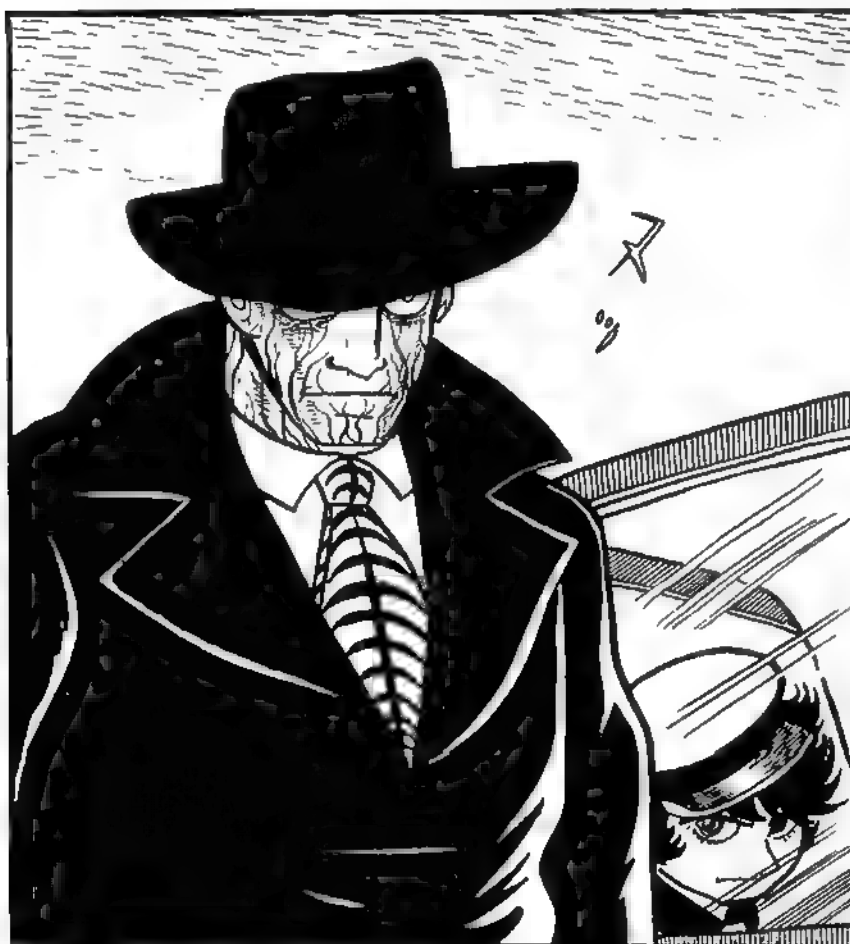
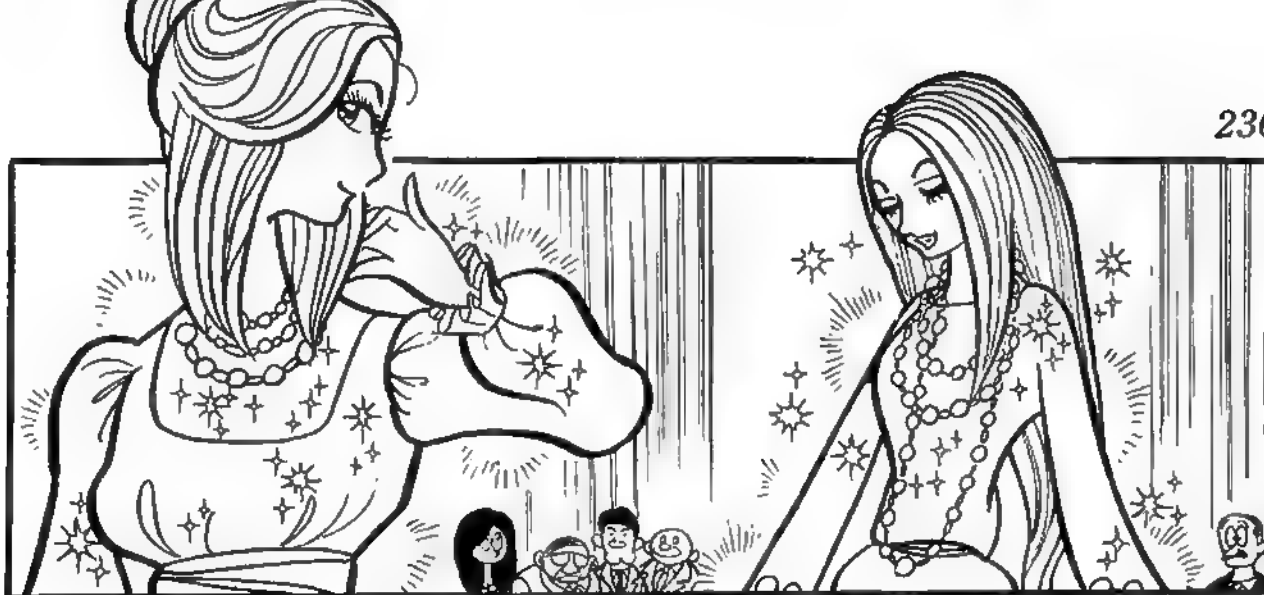




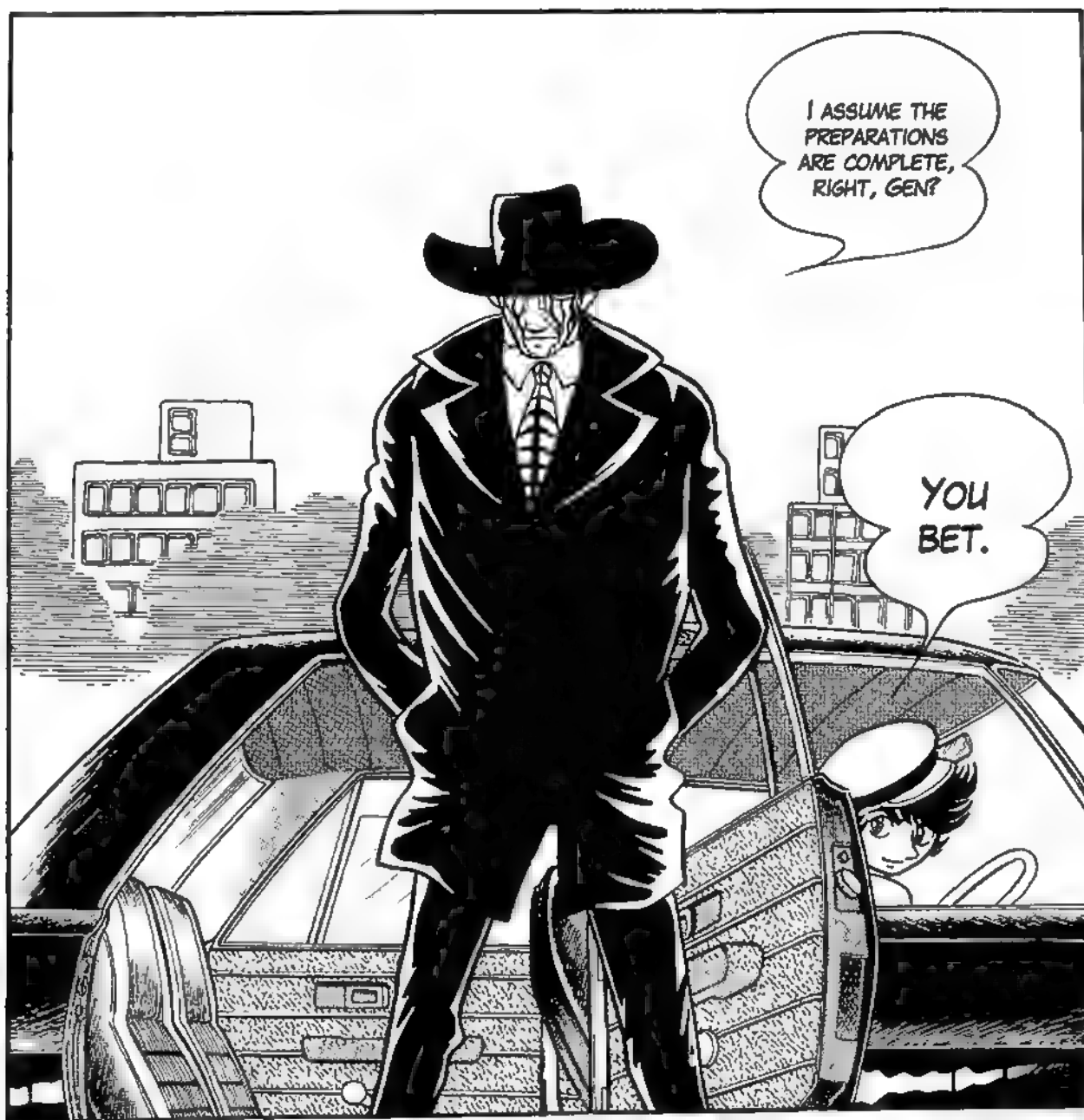


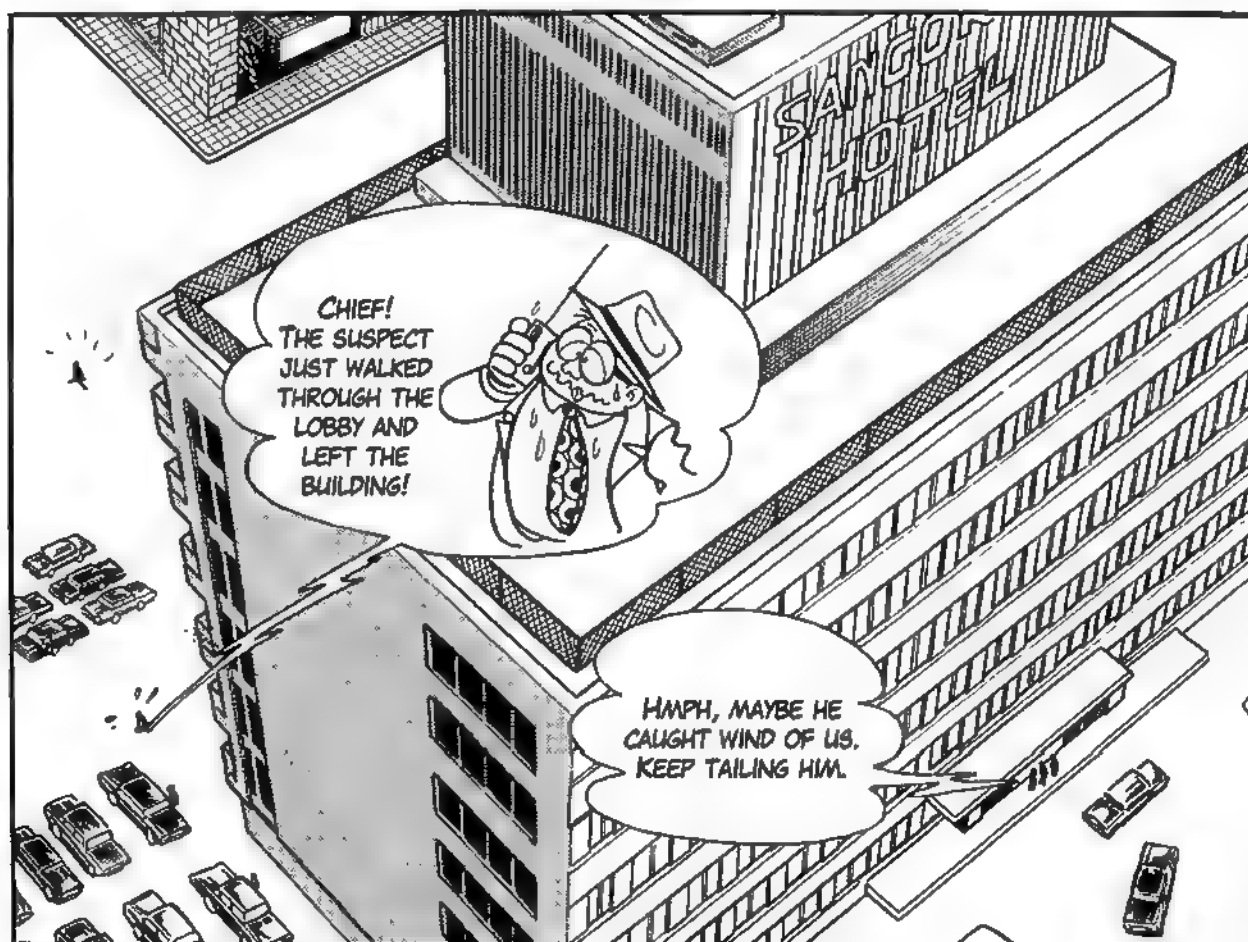


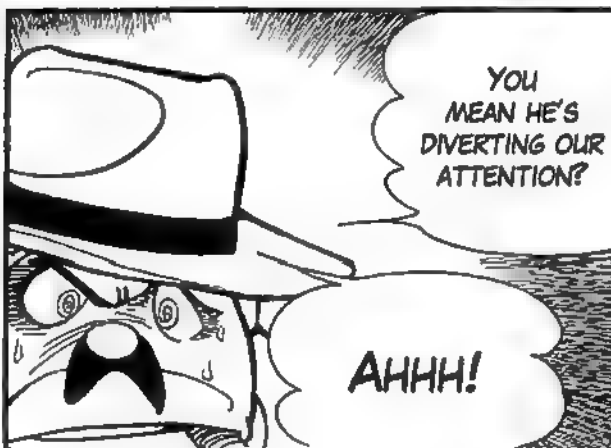
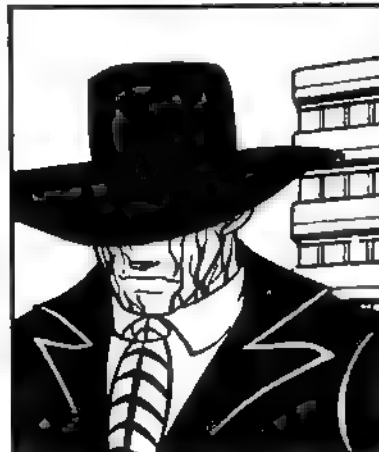
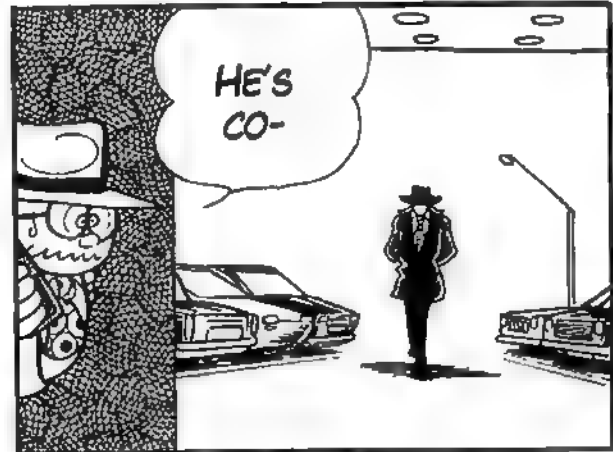
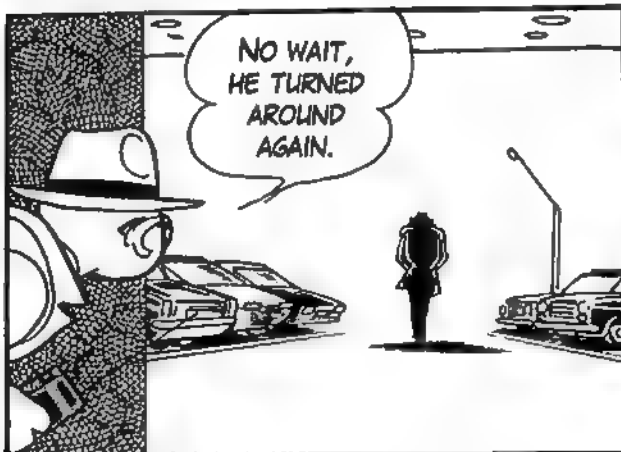
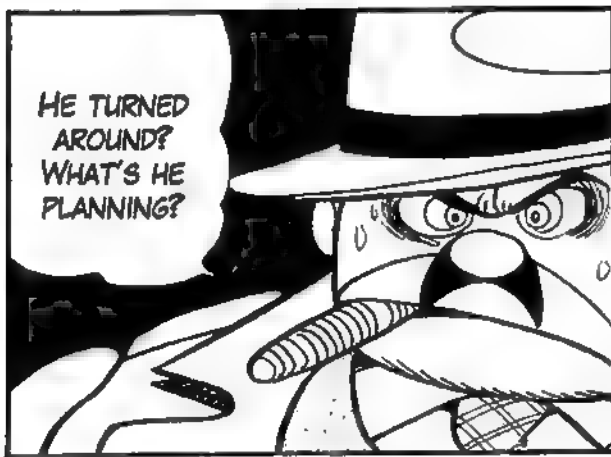




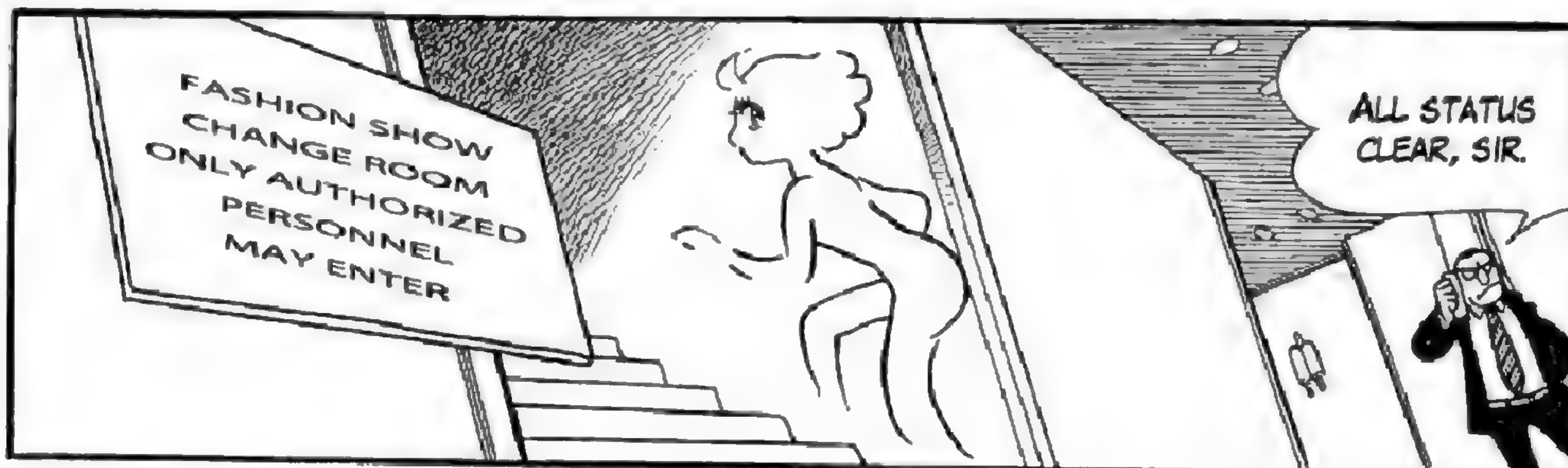
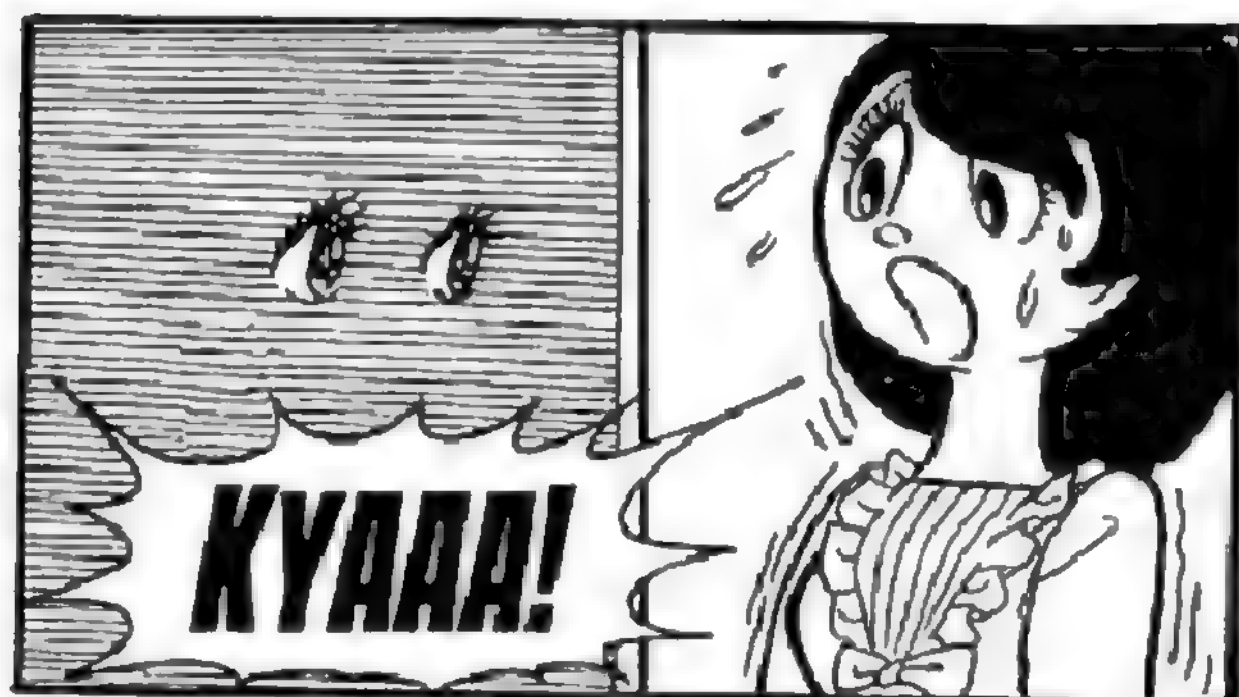
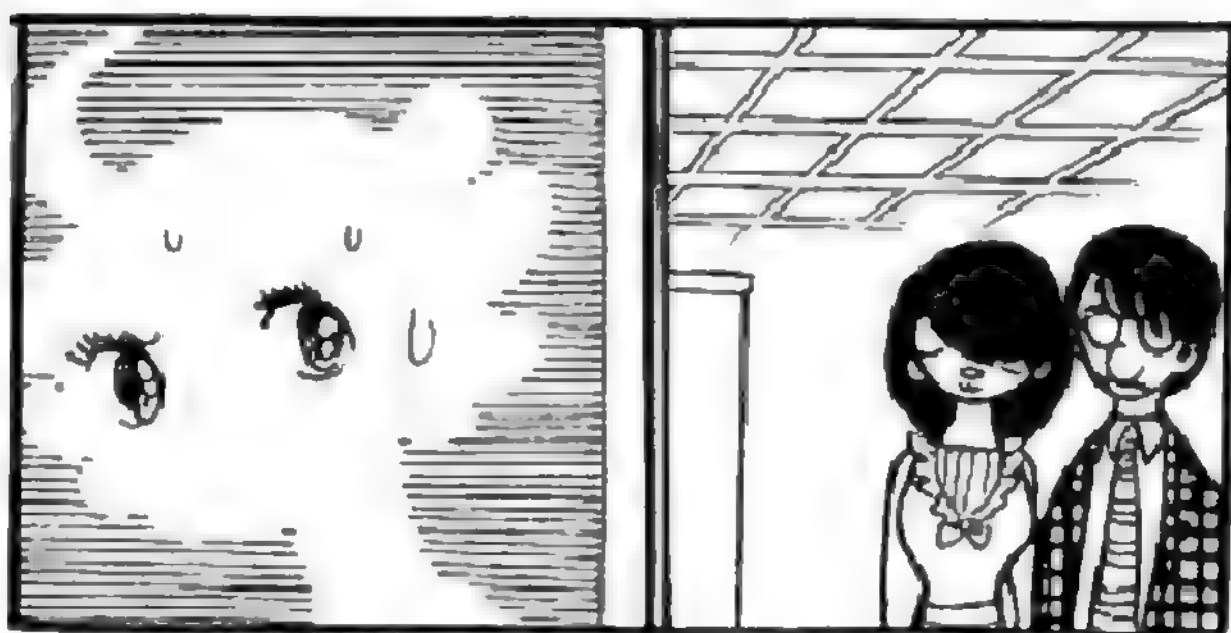


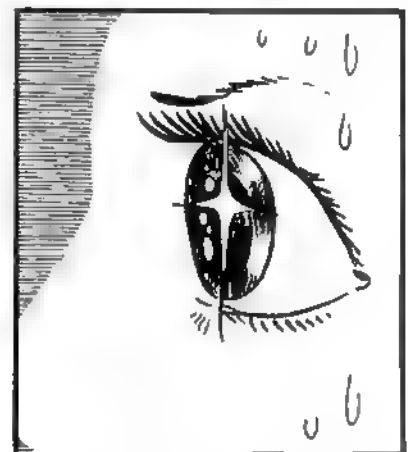
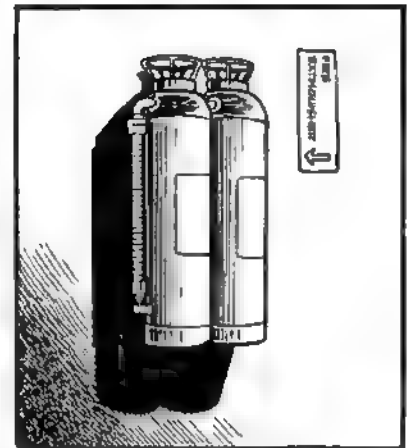
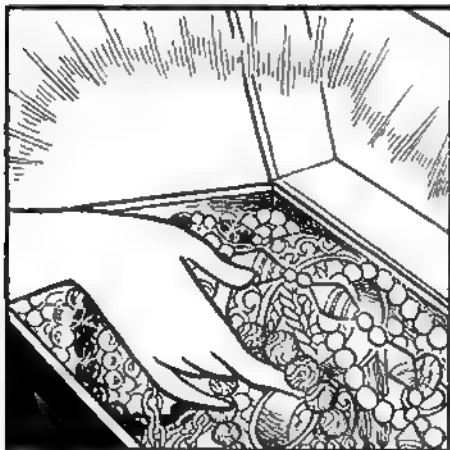


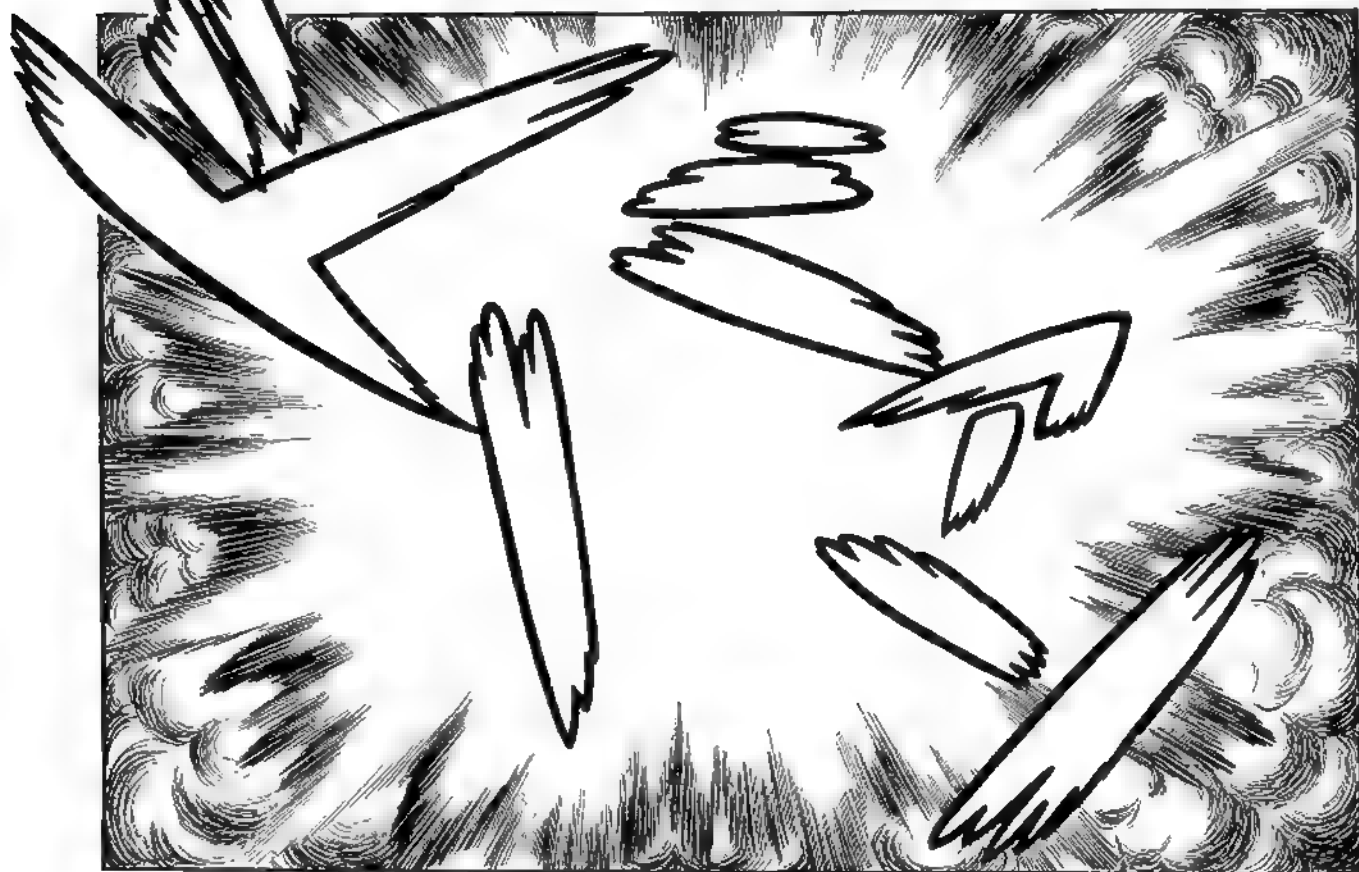
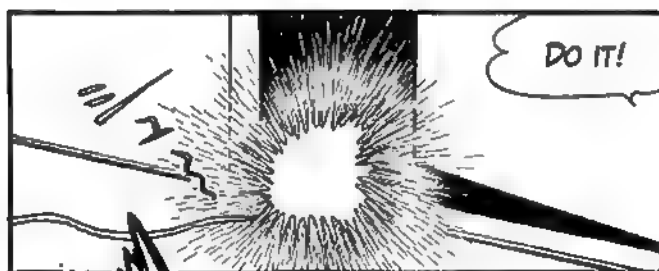




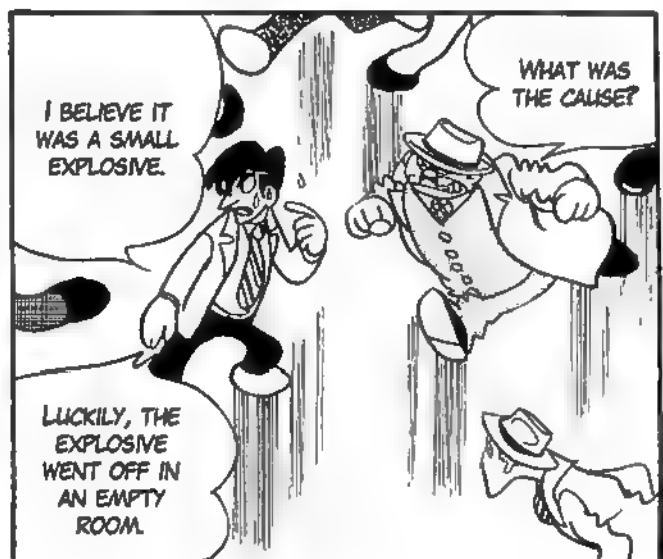
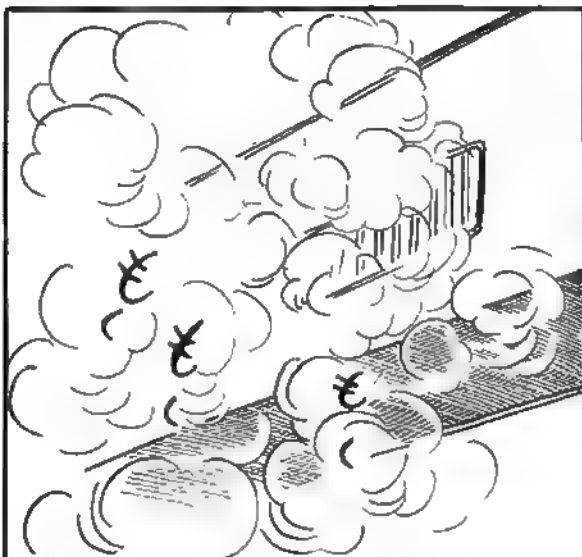
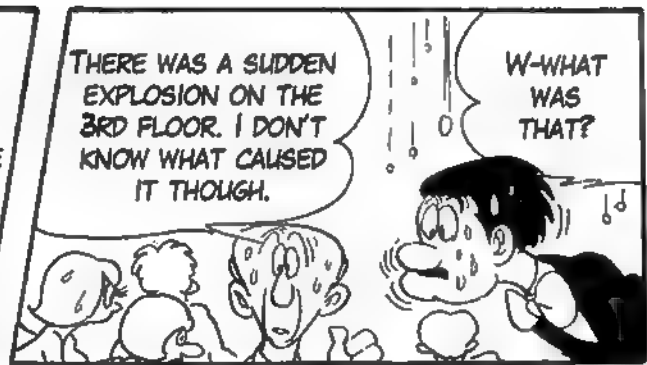
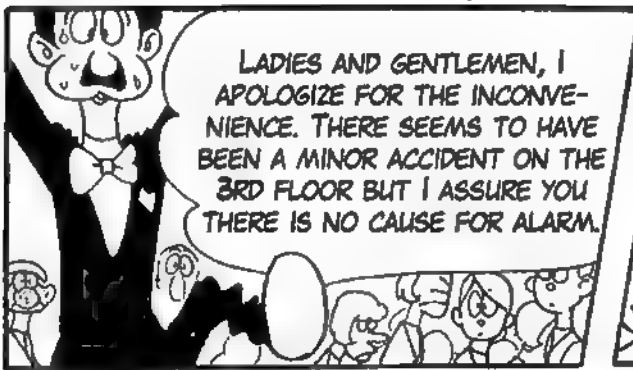


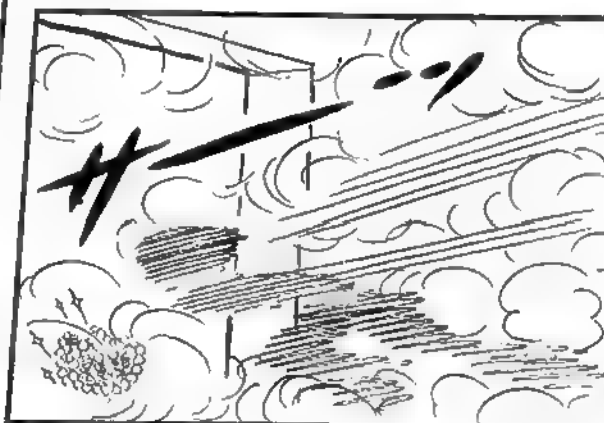
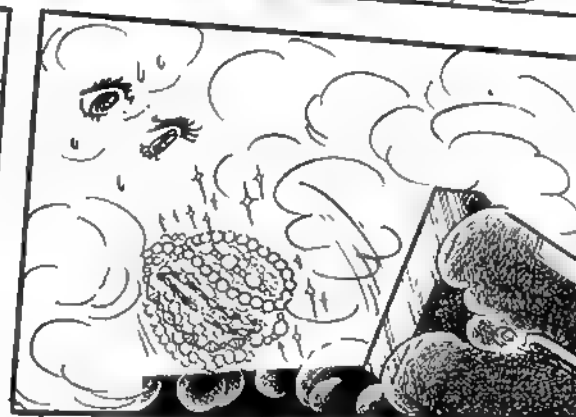
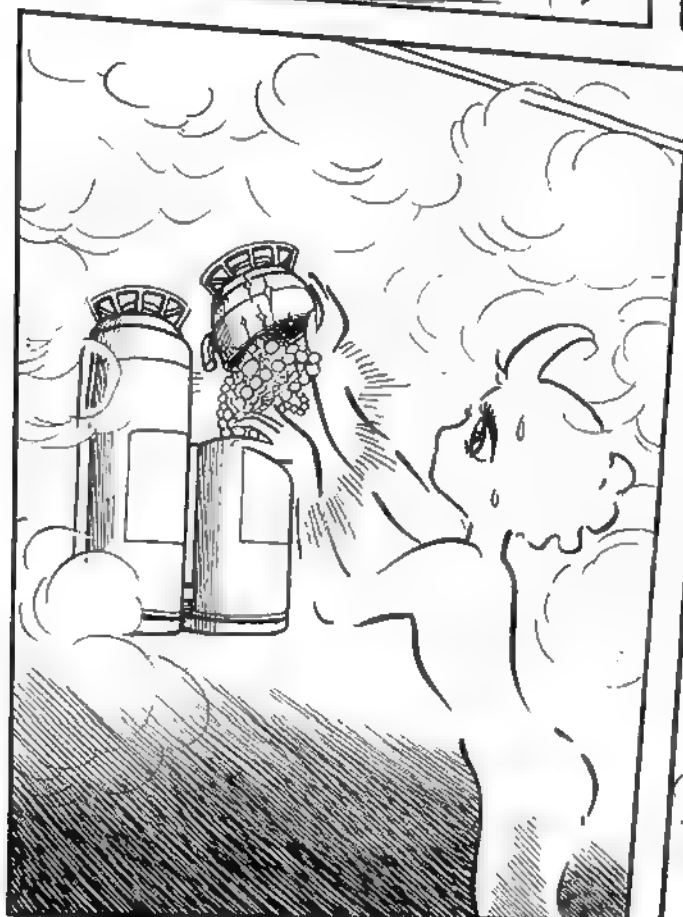


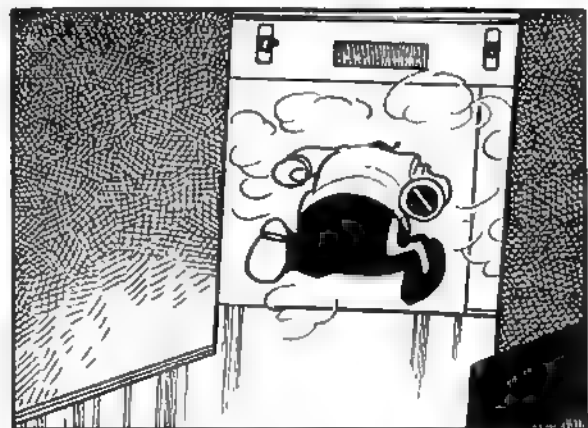
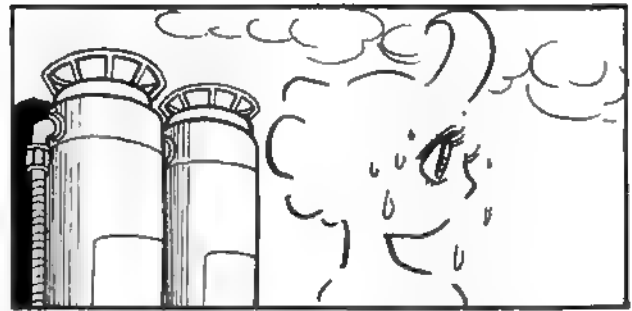




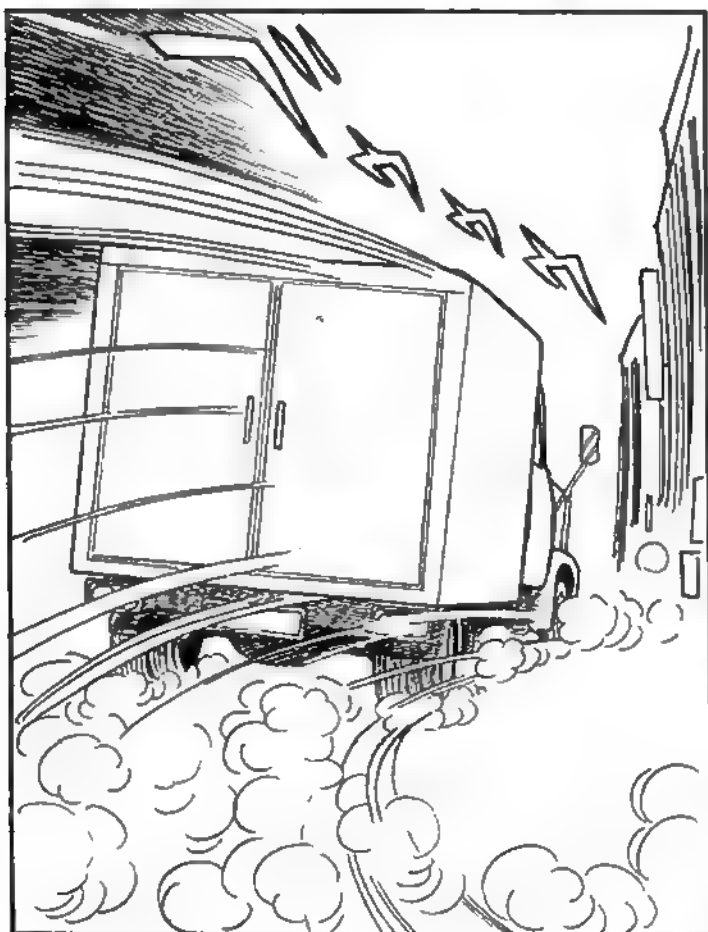
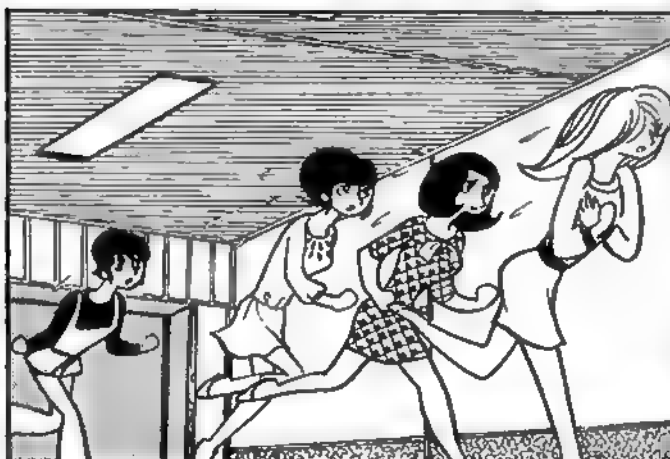


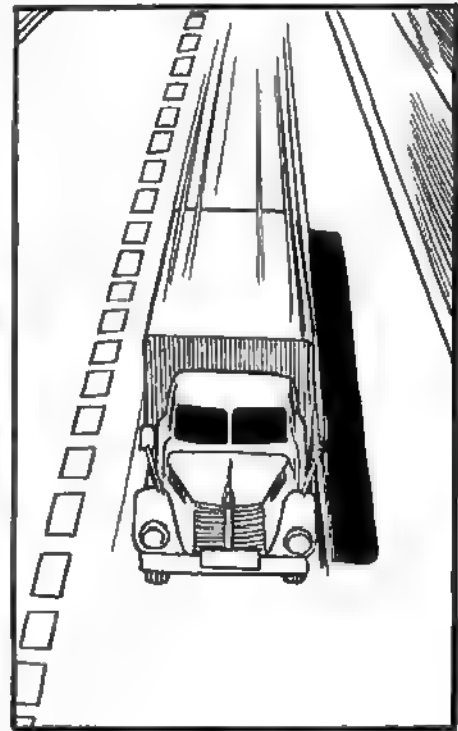


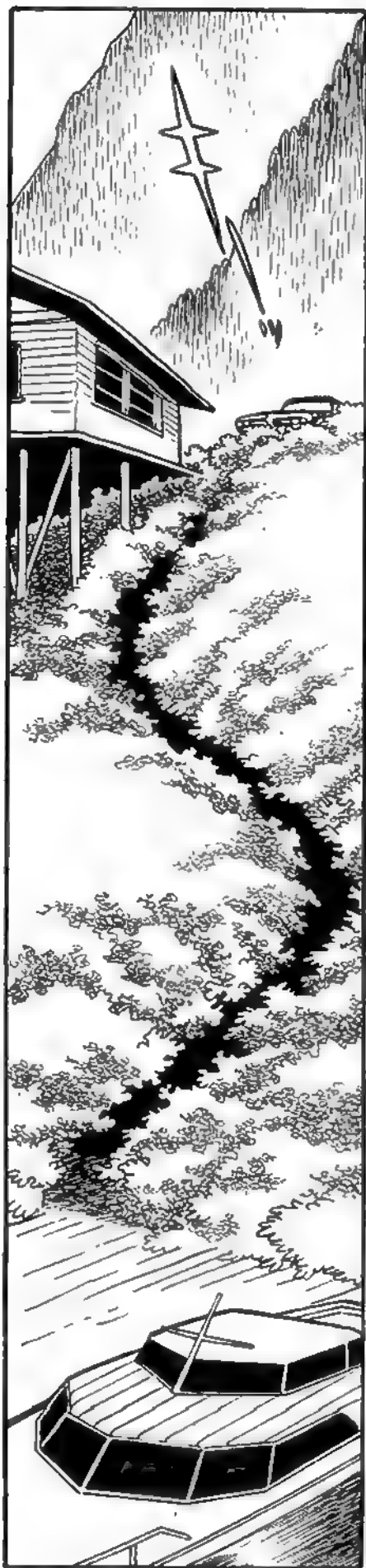






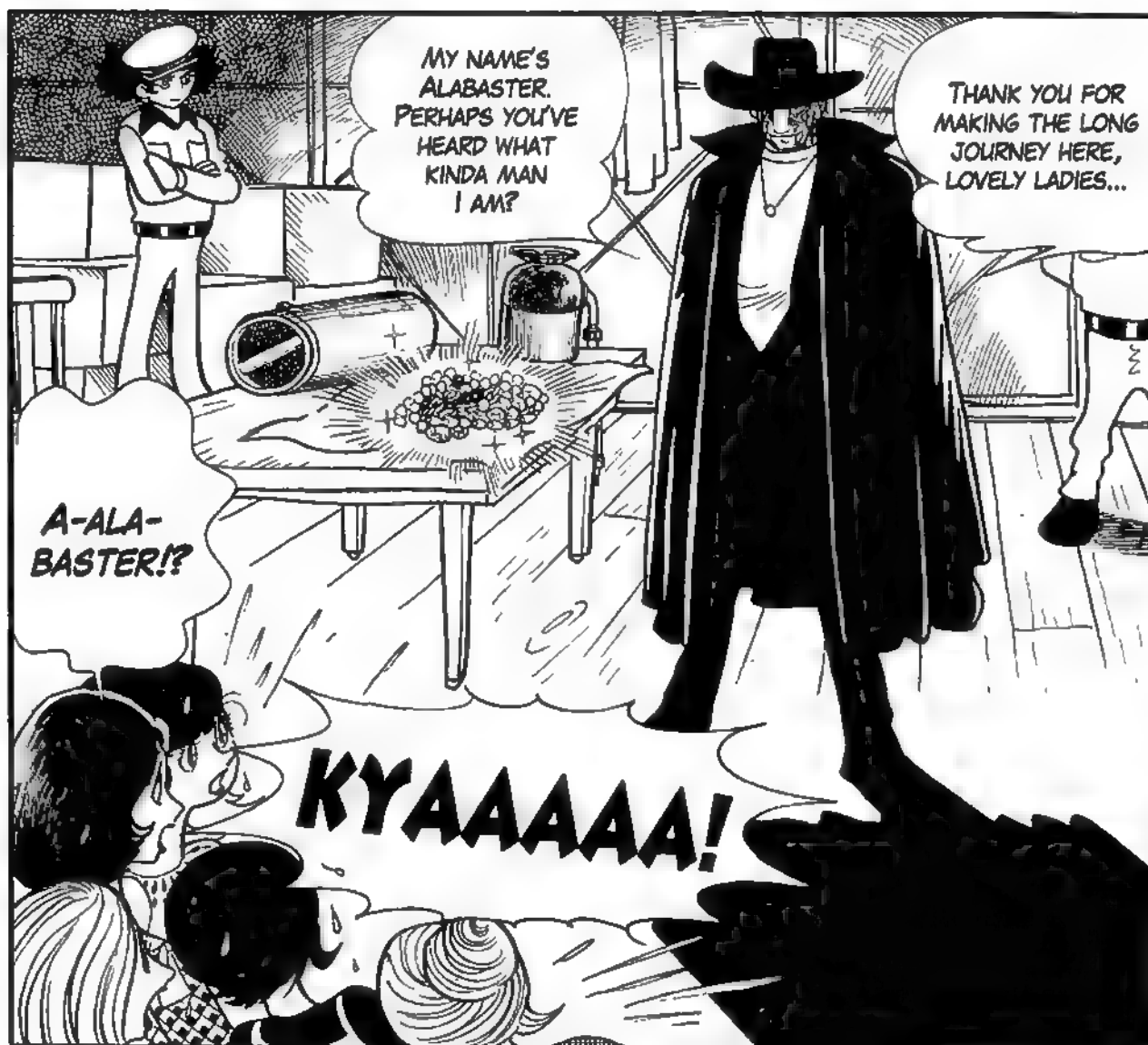






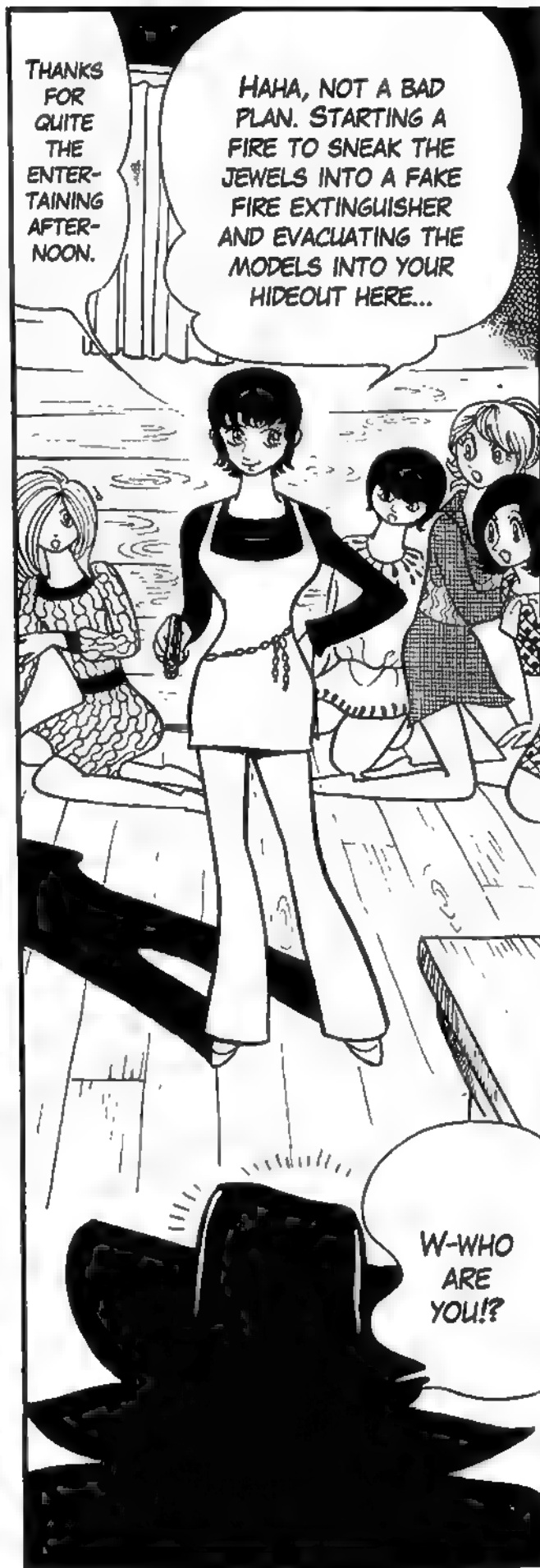
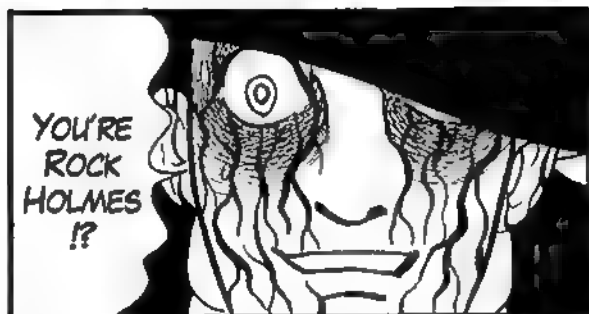


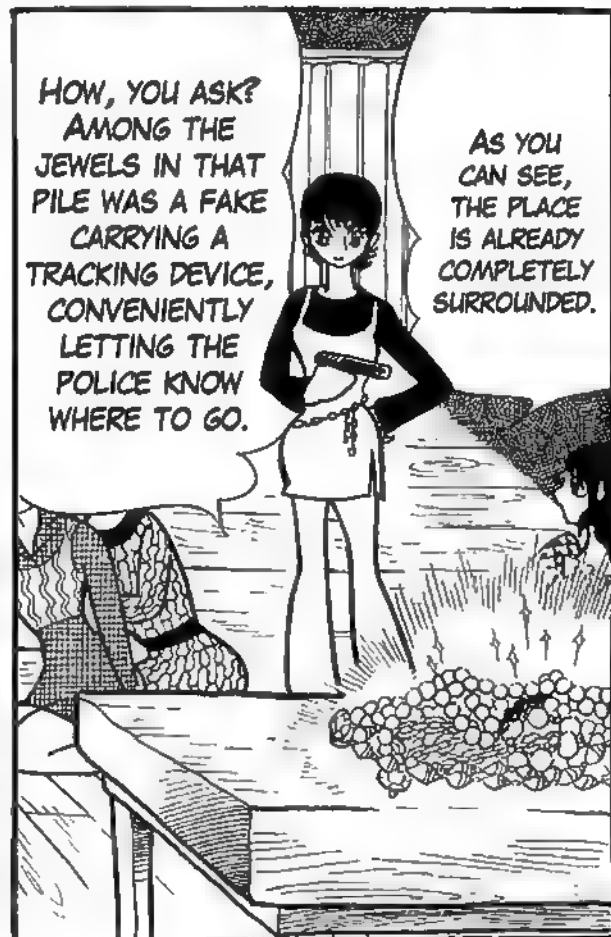
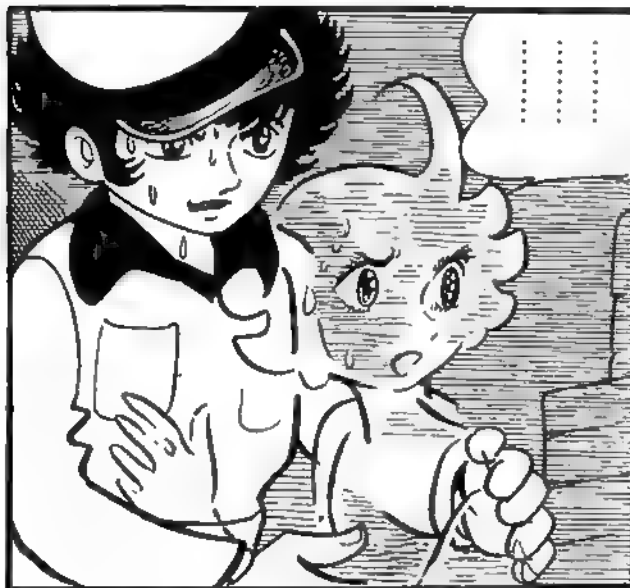
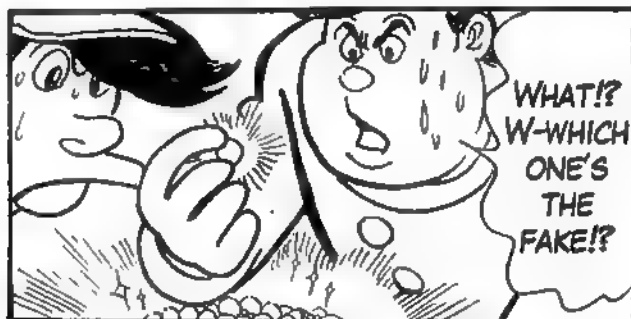


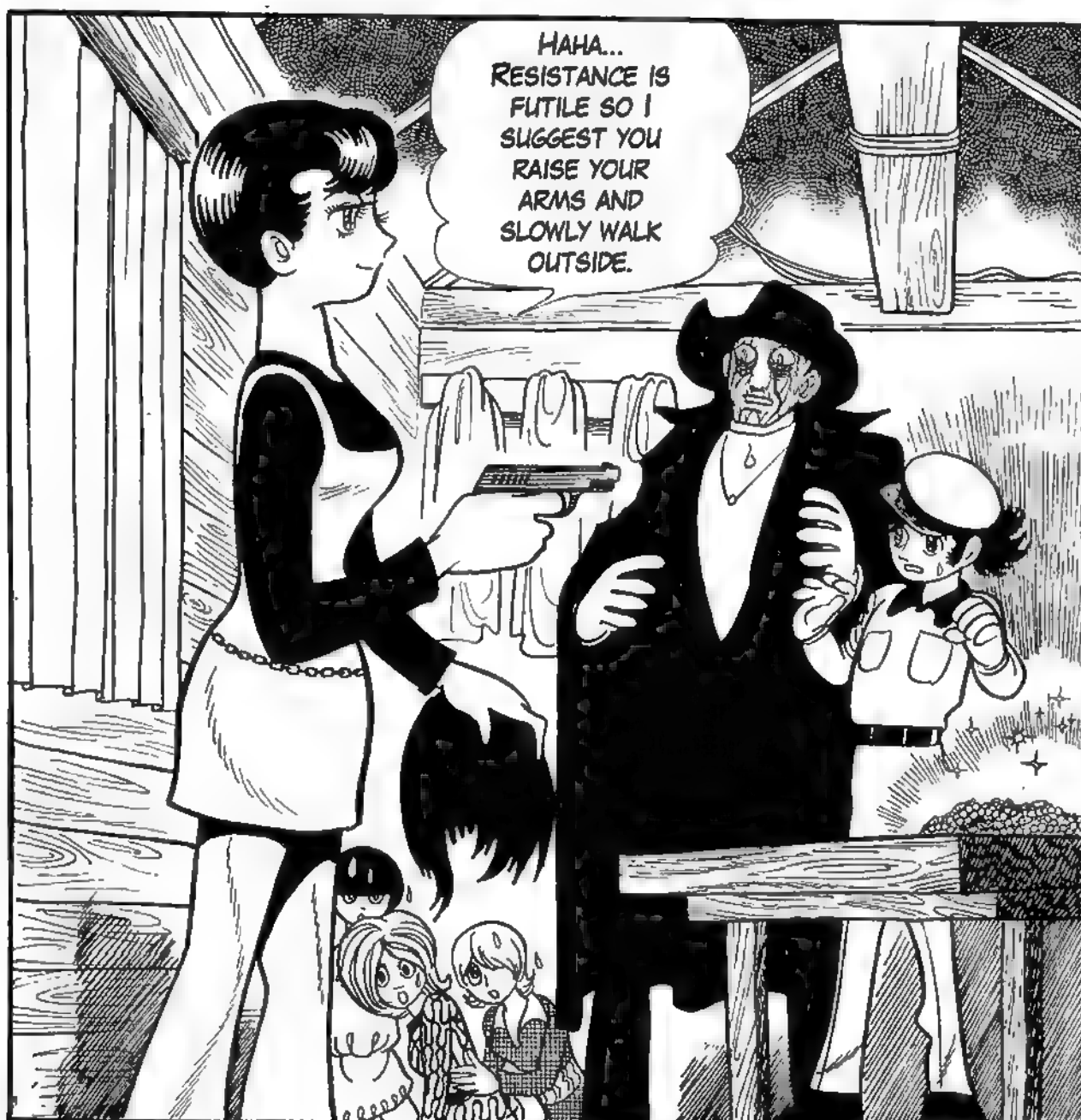




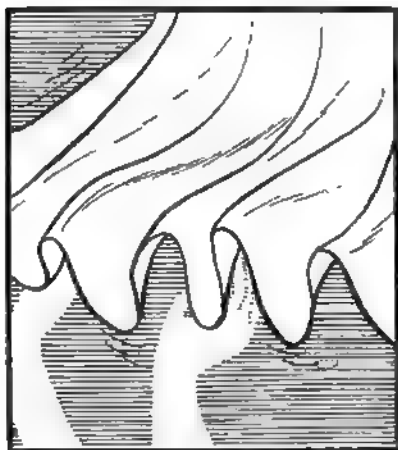
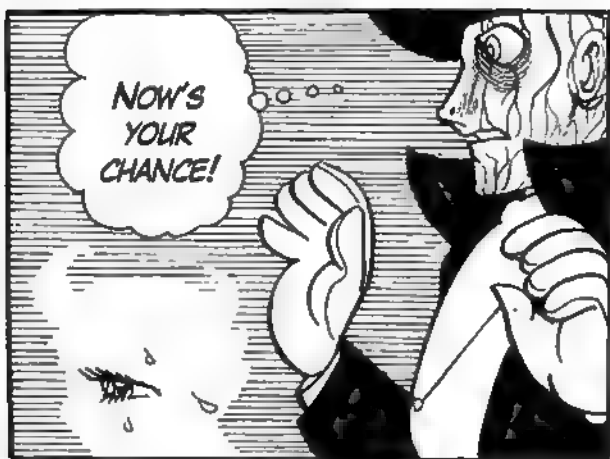


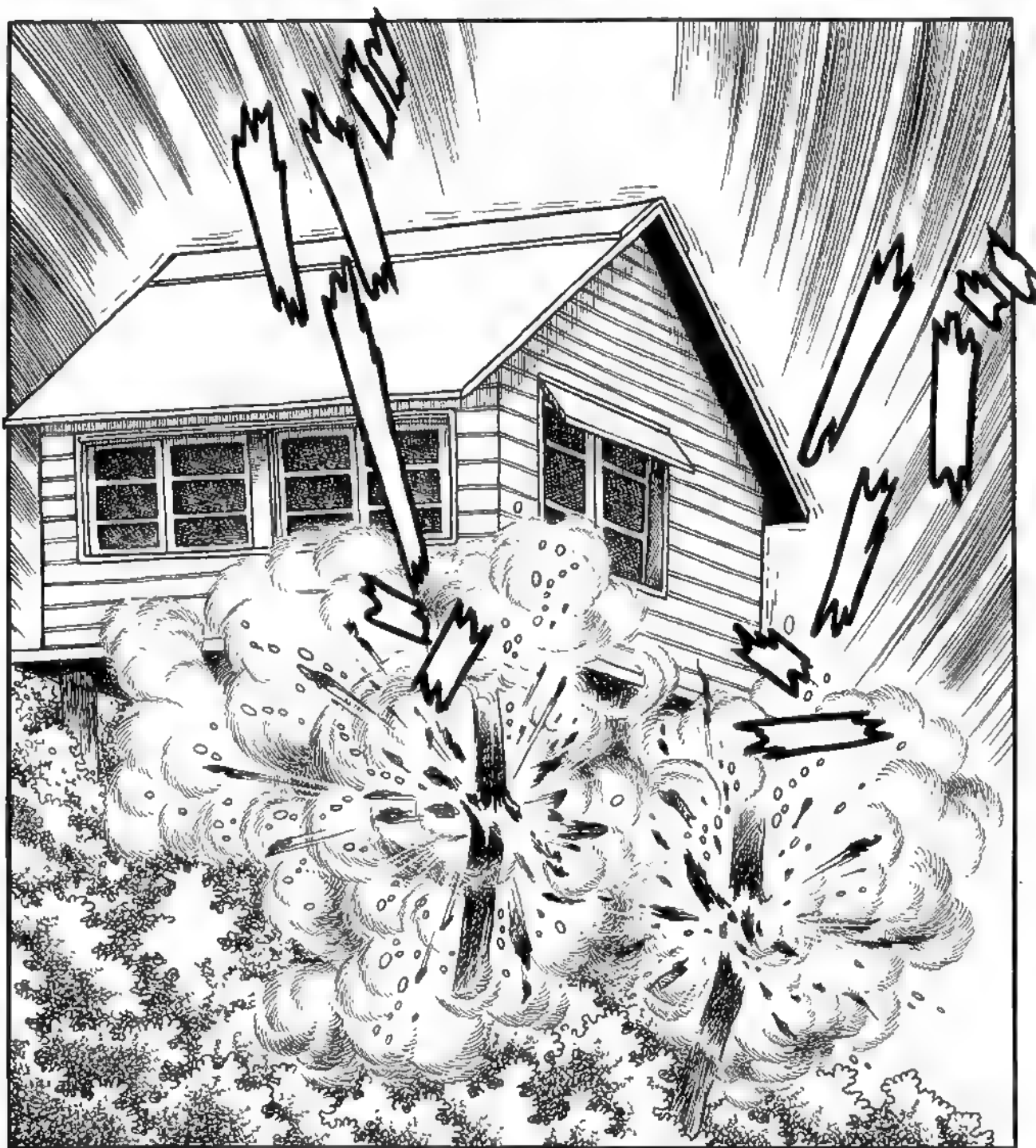
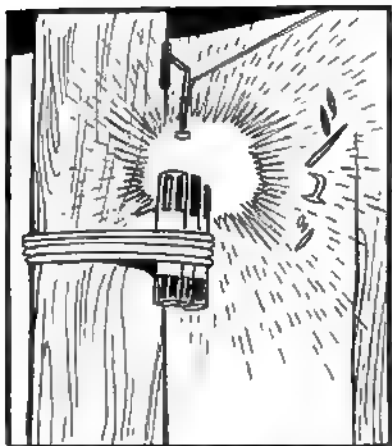


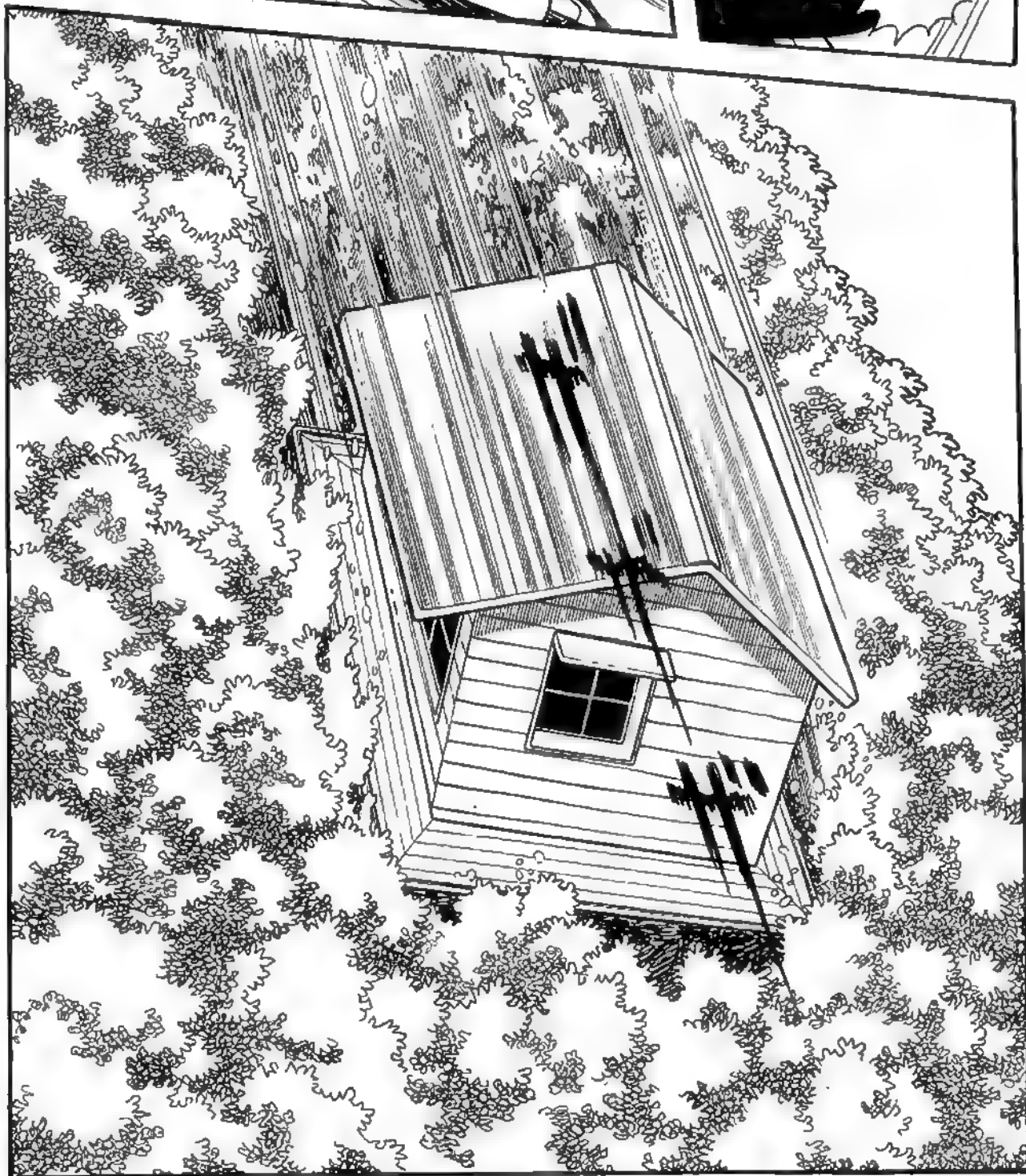
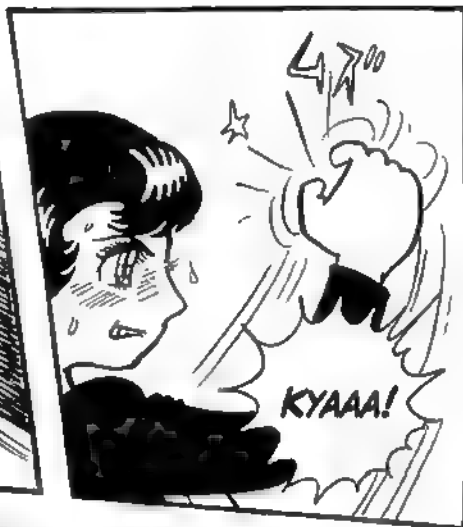
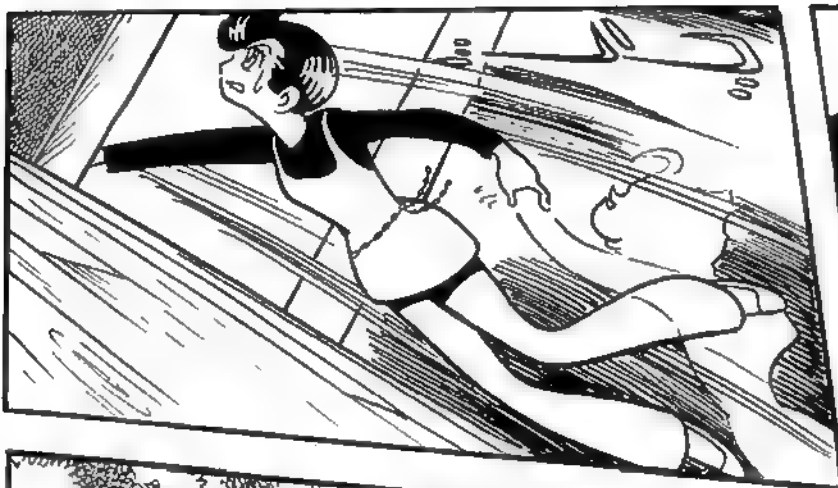




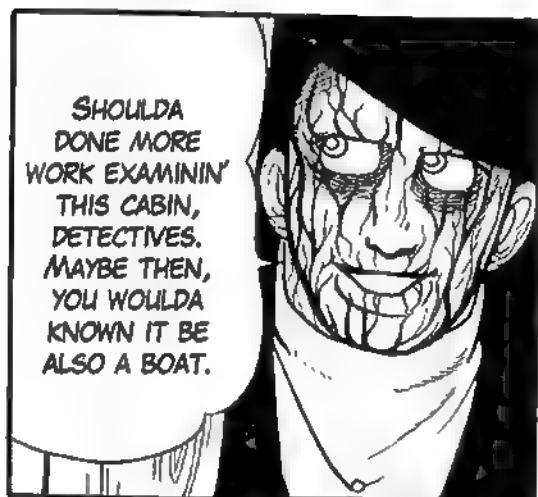


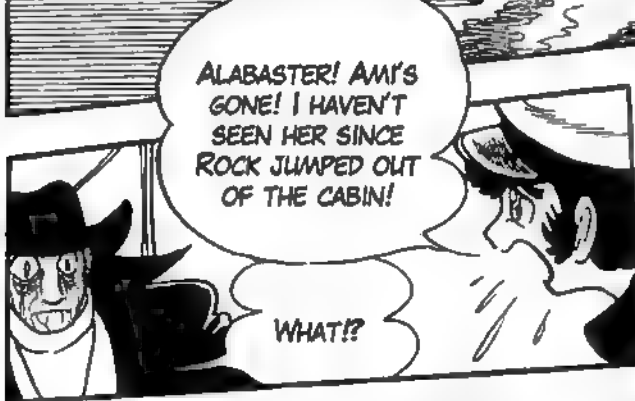
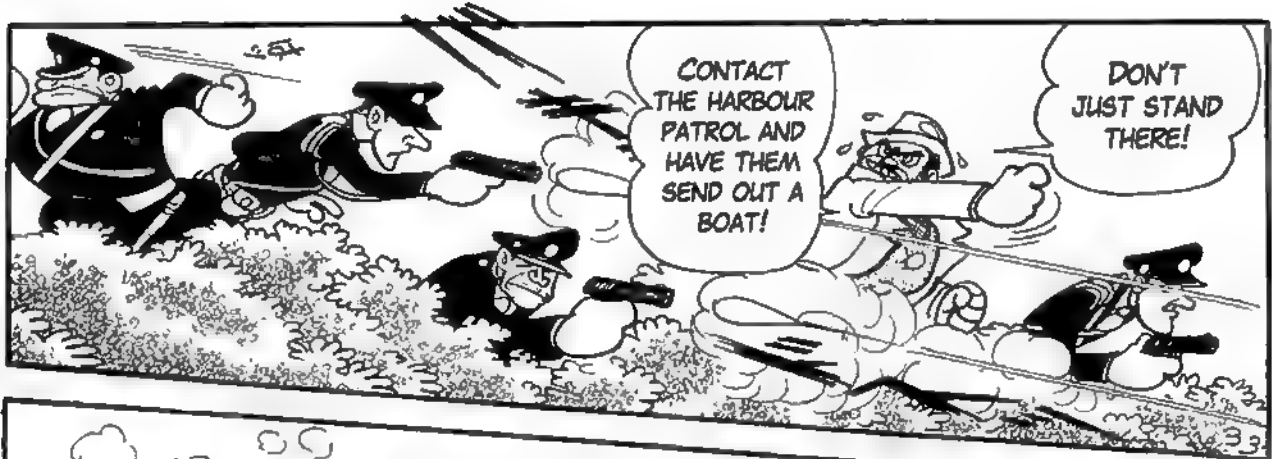


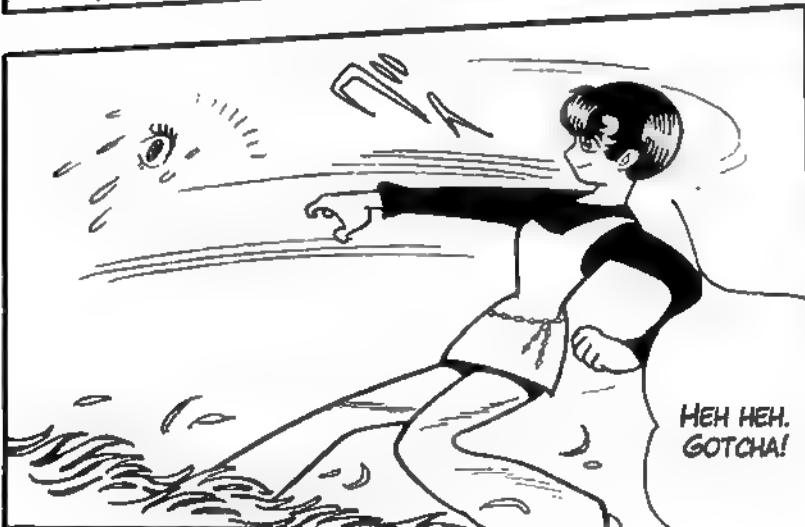
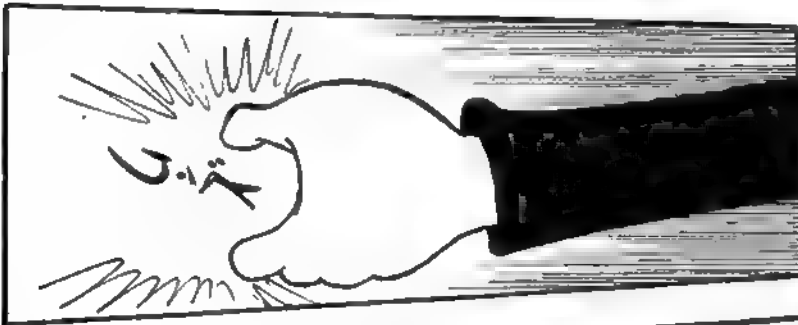
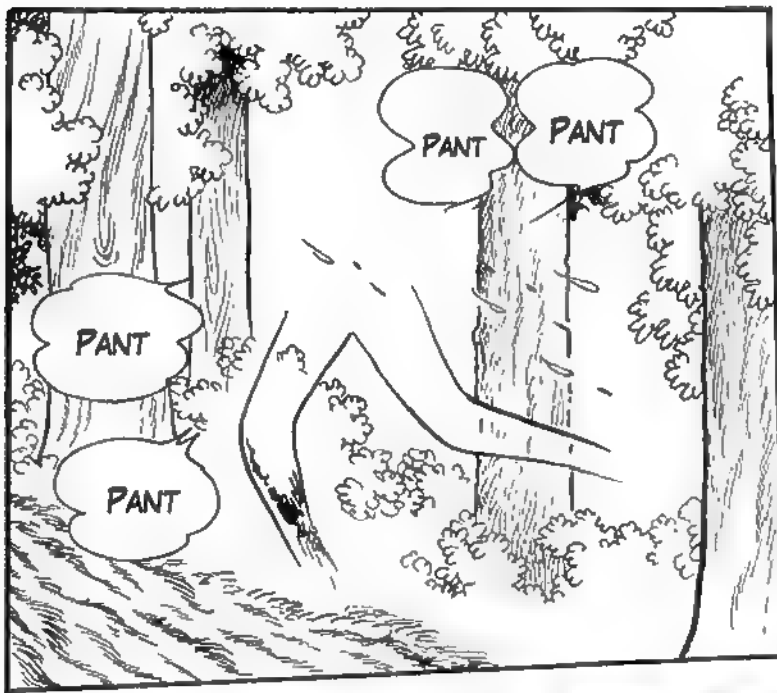




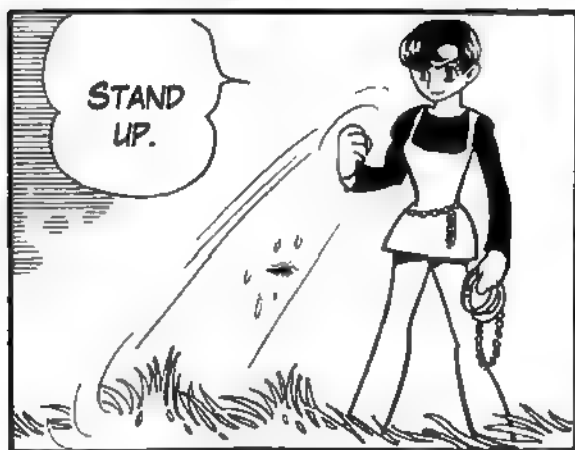
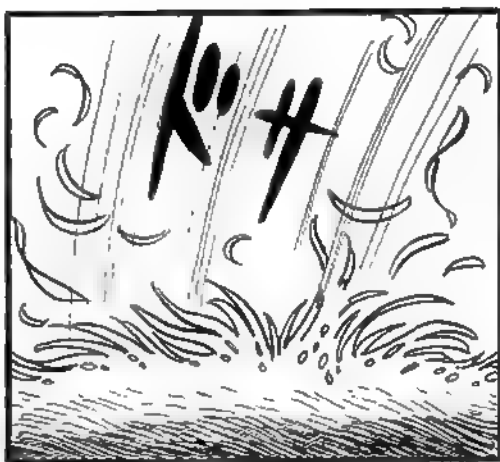


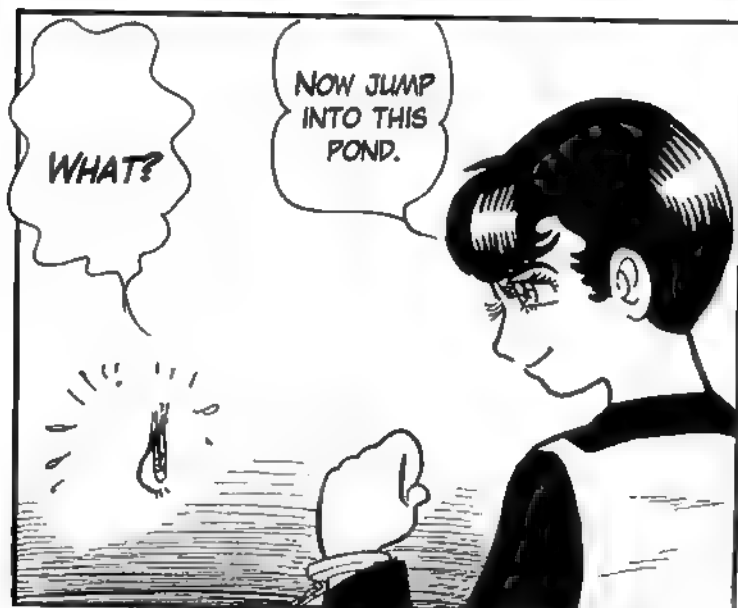


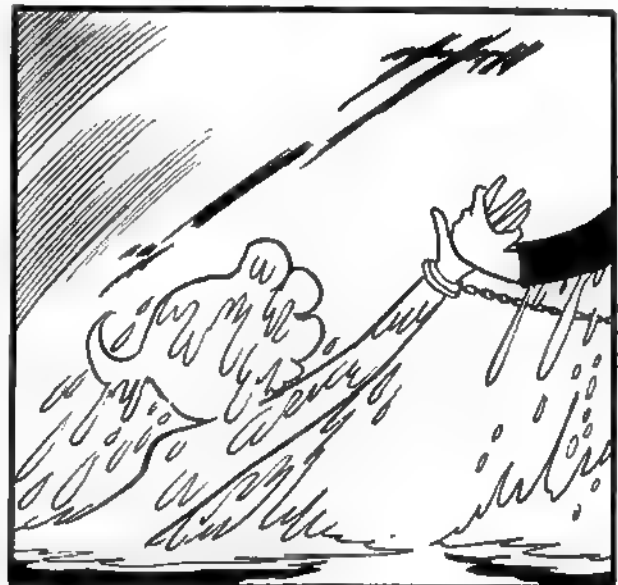
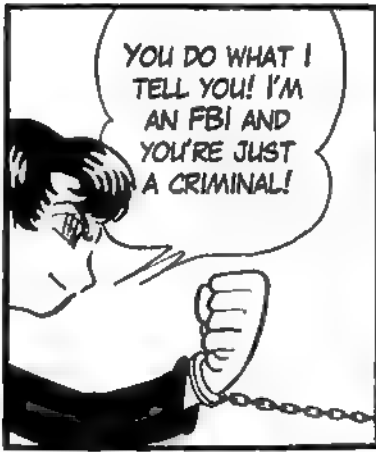




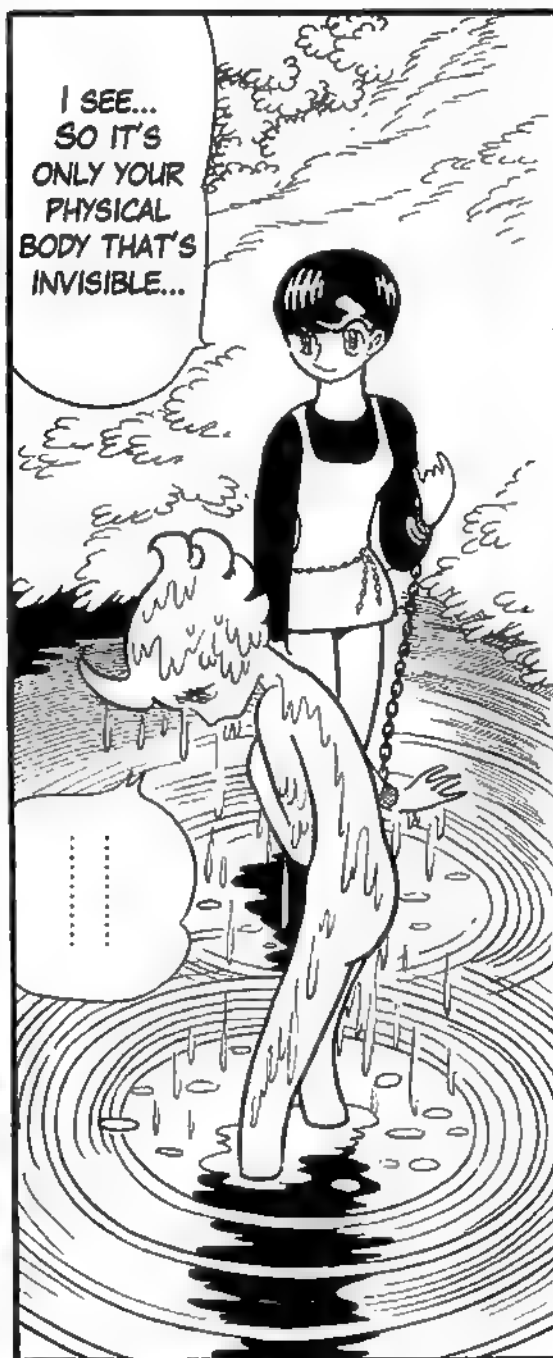
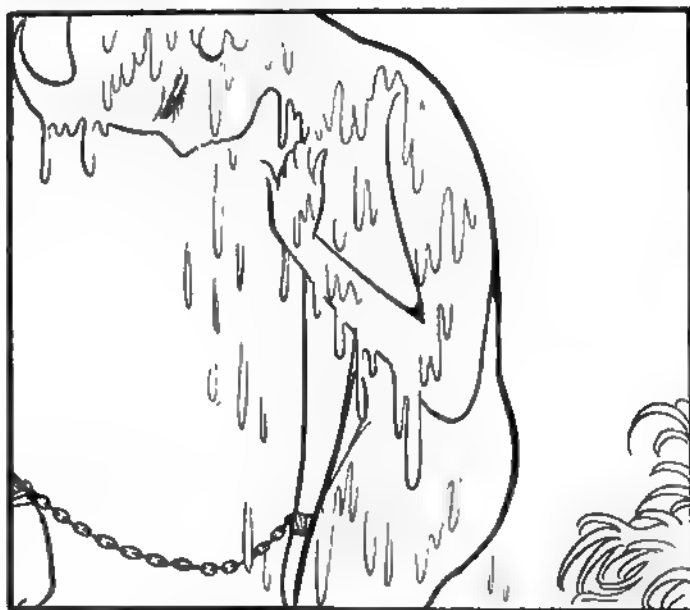




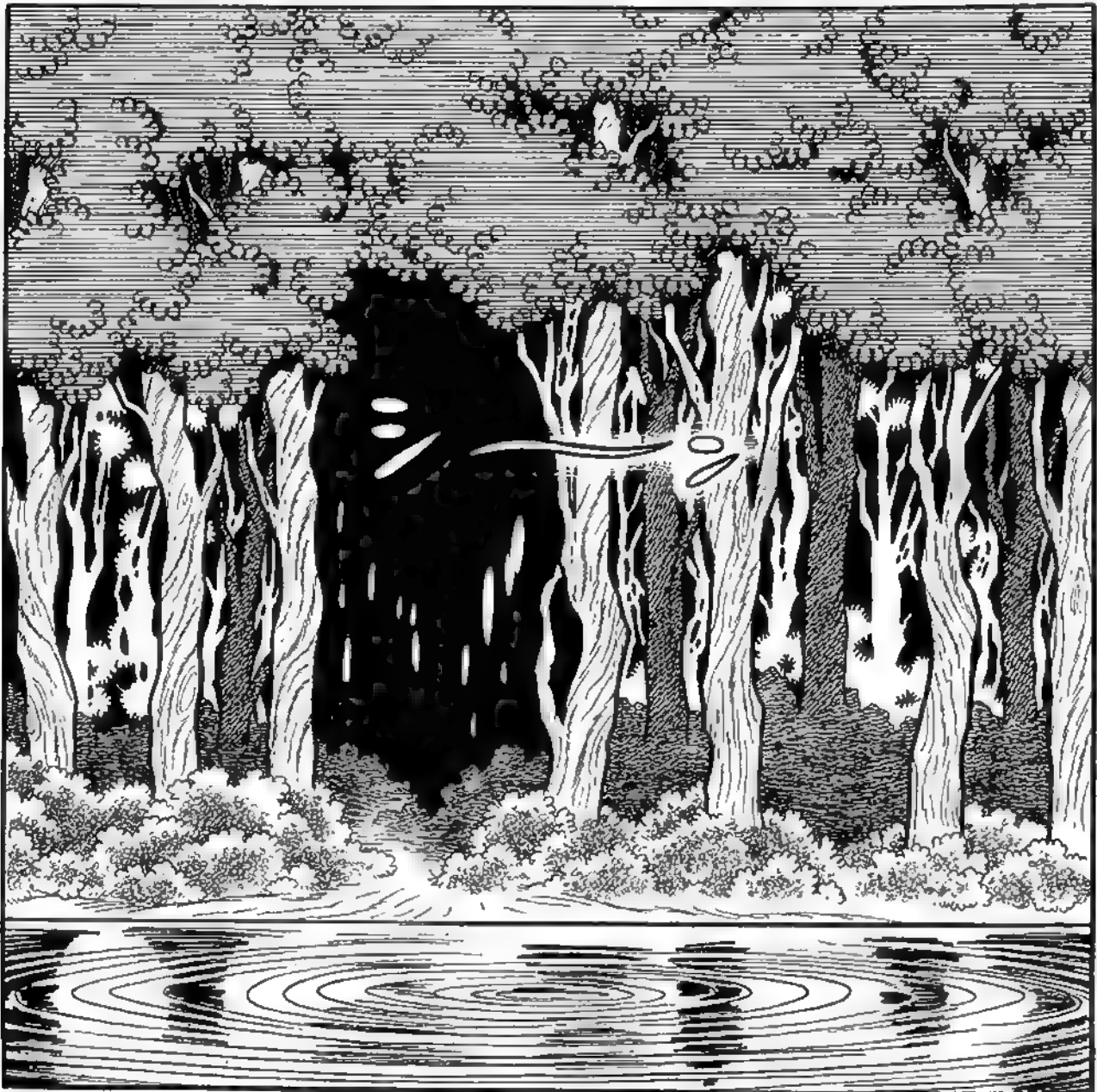






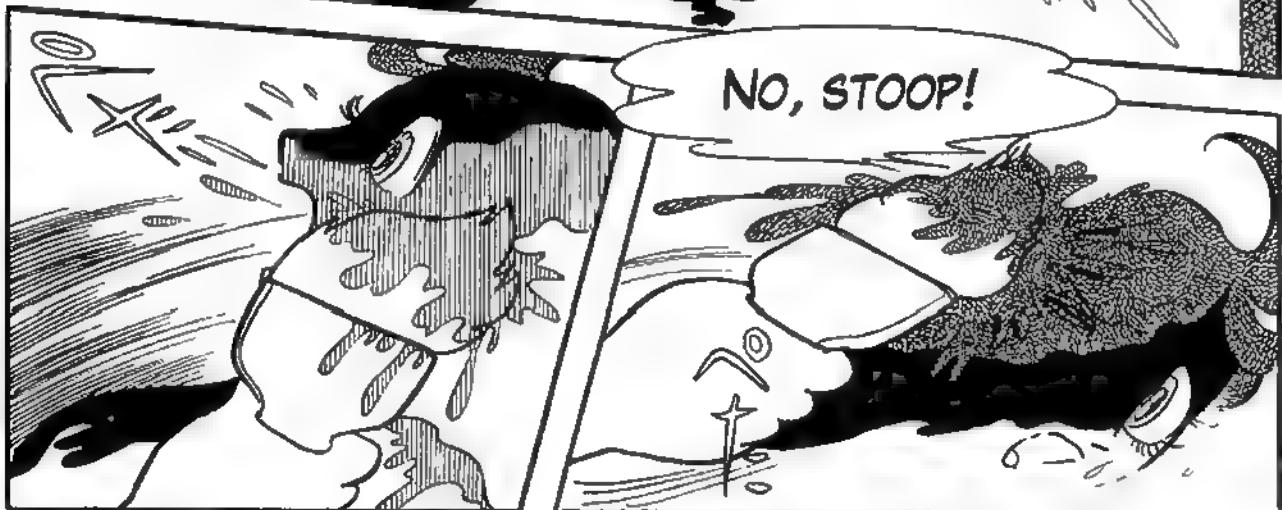
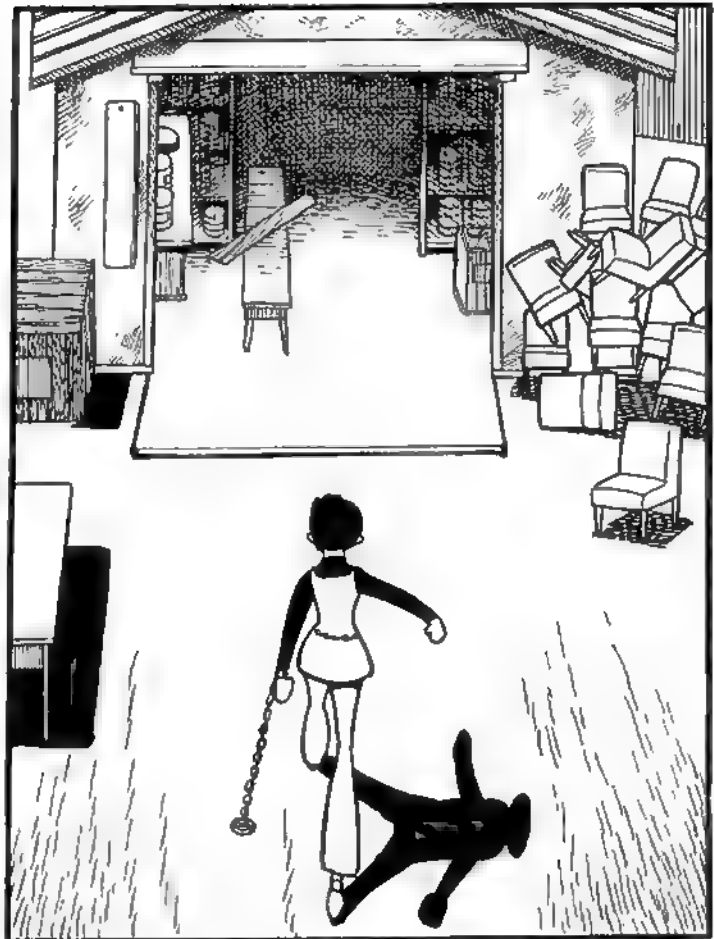
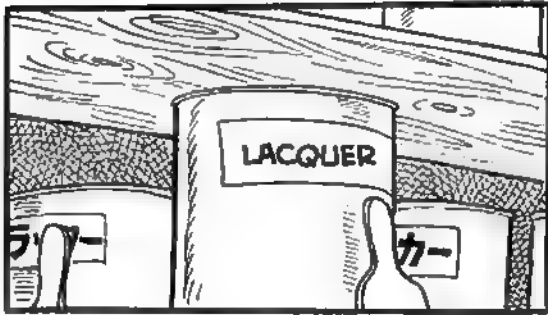








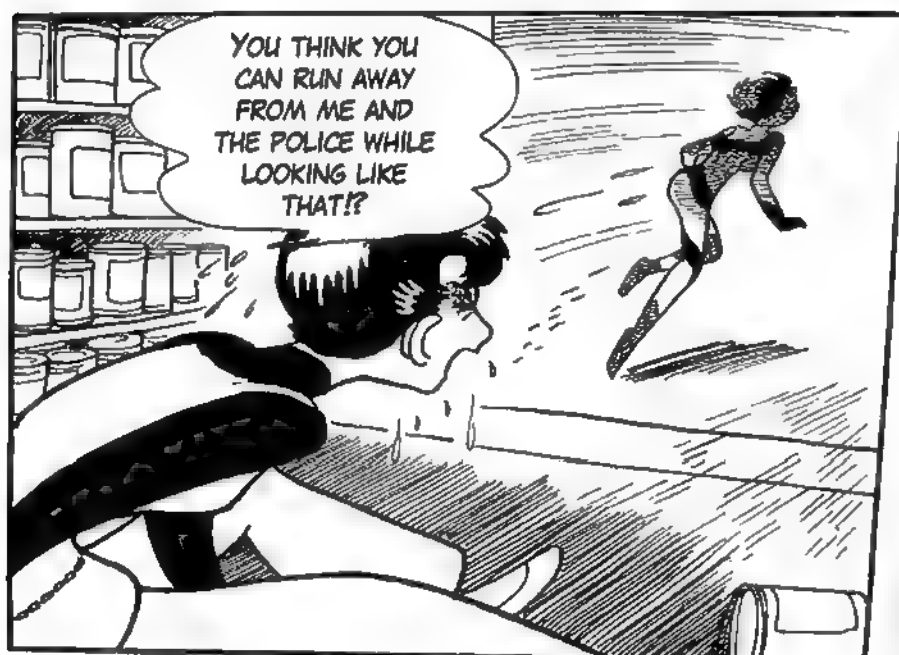
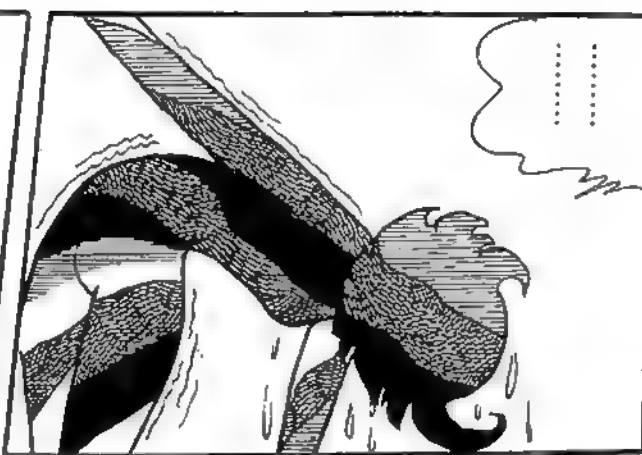




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